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AND
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**BILL SUMMARIES
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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature. The volume is organized alphabetically by committee; within each committee, the summaries are arranged by LD number. A subject index is provided at the beginning of each committee's summaries.

All adopted amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H - 584 or S - 222), together with the sponsor for floor amendments. Final action on each bill is listed to the right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

PUBLIC XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Public Law</i>
P&S XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law</i>
RESOLVE XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Resolve</i>
CON RES XXX	<i>Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses</i>
EMERGENCY	<i>Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days</i>
CARRIED OVER	<i>Bill carried over to 2nd Session</i>
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT	<i>Bill failed to get 2/3 vote</i>
ONTP	<i>Ought Not to Pass report accepted</i>
LVWD	<i>Leave to Withdraw report accepted</i>
INDEF PP	<i>Bill Indefinitely Postponed</i>
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	<i>House & Senate disagree; bill died</i>
VETO SUSTAINED	<i>Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto</i>
UNSIGNED	<i>Not signed by Governor within 10 days</i>
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT	<i>Action incomplete when 1st session ended</i>

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unnecessary regulatory overhead on very small finfish aquaculture operations so long as all existing environmental standards are met. The amended bill also provides an exemption from the minimum size provisions of Atlantic salmon laws for salmon aquaculturalists. The amended bill also establishes a public notice requirement for the use of antibiotics at aquaculture lease sites.

The bill establishes an environmental data collection program coordinated by the Department of Marine Resources. One additional staff person is provided for the aquaculture siting and monitoring program within the Department of Marine Resources and provides funds for environmental research and monitoring related to salmon aquaculture. Funding is provided by a one penny per pound production fee levied on whole fish aquaculture production.

House amendment "A" (H-547) makes technical corrections in the penalty provisions of the bill regarding proprietary information.

LD 94 An Act Concerning the Season for Harvesting Scallops LV/WD

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
FARREN CARROLL J RUHLIN BAILEY H	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to extend the period of time during which scallop harvesting is prohibited.

LD 122 An Act to Prohibit the Sales and Service of Propeller Spurs ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
CONSTANTINE CARROLL J	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to prohibit the sale or service of automatic line-cutting devices, commonly referred to as "spurs".

LD 134 Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study Lobster Trap Limits ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MITCHELL J SWAZEY WENTWORTH LOOK	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This emergency resolve proposed a 20-member Commission to Study Lobster Trap Limits. The resolve would have required the Commission to hold its first meeting by July 1, 1991, to meet 5 times and to report its findings to the Second Regular Session of the 115th Legislature by November 1, 1991.