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**BILL SUMMARIES
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BILL SUMMARIES
AUGUST 1991**

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:

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| 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> |

These summaries were prepared by the analyst or analysts assigned to the committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including secretaries: Charlene Raymond and Valarie Parlin, and especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

If you have any suggestions or comments on these summaries, please let us know.

The committee amendment (H-331) replaced the bill with Part A of LD 77 to continue the Commission to Study Maine's Oil Spill Clean-up Preparedness until June 30, 1992. This amendment:

1. Extends the allocation of existing funds for the commission until June 30, 1992. The bill does not allocate any new funds for the commission;
2. Requires the Department of Environmental Protection to provide reports to the commission by June 30, 1991, and quarterly thereafter, on:
 - A. Its progress in rulemaking;
 - B. The state oil spill contingency plan;
 - C. The sensitive area identification and protection system;
 - D. The wildlife rehabilitation plan;
 - E. The possibility of a Gulf of Maine oil spill compact; and
 - F. The availability of oily debris disposal facilities; and
3. Requires the commission to report to the Legislature by November 1, 1991, on:
 - A. The progress of the new federal, state and industry response initiatives;
 - B. The relationship between the new federal fund and the existing Maine Coastal and Inland Surface Oil Clean-up Fund; and
 - C. Any recommendations for further state legislative or administrative action.

A Senate amendment (S-390) adds two more members to the commission.

LD 256 **An Act to Allow a Municipality to Assess an Administrative Penalty for Violations of Timber Harvesting and Vegetation Clearing Provisions of the Shoreland Zoning Laws** **ONTP**

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| SPONSOR(S) | COMMITTEE REPORT | AMENDMENTS ADOPTED |
| HICHBORN | ONTP | |

SUMMARY

This bill would have authorized the municipal officers of a town to enforce the timber harvesting and vegetation cutting provisions of a local shoreland zoning ordinance through the direct administrative assessment of fines.

LD 295 **An Act to Amend Certain Definitions in the Laws Governing Solid Waste** **ONTP**

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| SPONSOR(S) | COMMITTEE REPORT | AMENDMENTS ADOPTED |
| BOUTILIER | ONTP | |
| GOULD R A | | |

SUMMARY

This bill would have replaced the current definition of aseptic packaging with the substance of the