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**BILL SUMMARIES
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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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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:

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

Joint Standing Committee on Housing and Economic Development

LD 297 **An Act to Promote Affordable Housing and Comprehensive Planning** **LV/WD**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MITCHELL J CLARK N	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

This bill would have required mobile homes and mobile home parks to be subject to the same municipal regulations and requirements as single-family dwellings and developments of single-family dwellings. Among other things, the bill would have deleted some existing provisions that provide certain protections to manufactured housing.

LD 425 **An Act to Require Local Development Corporations to Hold Open Meetings** **ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BUSTIN MELENDY	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill would have prohibited local development corporations from receiving public funds unless their board meetings and meeting records concerning the expenditure of public funds are open to the public.

LD 455 **An Act to Repeal the Job Opportunity Zones Act** **ONTP-MAJ REP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
GRAHAM ADAMS CARROLL D	ONTP MAJ OTP MIN	

SUMMARY

This bill would have repealed the Job Opportunity Zones Act.

LD 531 **An Act Concerning Energy Efficiency Standards for Subsidized Housing** **PUBLIC 275**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
COLLINS ANDERSON BELL BERUBE	OTP-AM	S-151

SUMMARY

The original bill prohibited the installation of electric space heating equipment as the primary space heating system in any residential building constructed or renovated using public funds, or that is constructed or renovated for the use of any person who may be eligible to receive any public fuel assistance subsidy. The bill permitted the Commissioner of the Department of Economic and Community Development to grant a waiver from the prohibition in three separate circumstances: if the electrically