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AND
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**BILL SUMMARIES
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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
AND
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
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:

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.

LD 518

An Act to Encourage the Use of Water Conservation Devices

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
RYDELL	ONTP	
ADAMS		
HOLT		
CLEVELAND		

SUMMARY

This bill would have required the installation of water saving toilets and urinals in all buildings after July 1, 1992. Prior to that date, the Commissioner of Human Resources would have been required to amend or revise the state plumbing code to conform to the water saving standards established in the bill. Water conservation measures are required for public buildings in LD 804.

LD 523

An Act to Amend the Spent Fuel and High-level Radioactive Waste Requirements

ONTP-MAJ REP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
HOLT	ONTP MAJ	
SIMPSON	OTP-AM MIN	

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to suspend the operation of the Maine Yankee Atomic Power Plant in Wiscasset after July 1, 1992, until all spent fuel removed from the reactor before July 1, 1989, was no longer stored in any on-site temporary storage.

LD 543

An Act Prohibiting the Driving or Parking of Vehicles on Ice-covered Bodies of Water

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BUSTIN	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill would have prohibited the driving or parking of motor vehicles on ice-covered bodies of water.

LD 553

An Act to Protect Stone Walls, Stone Impoundments and Timber Bridges of Historical Significance

PUBLIC 79

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
WHITCOMB	OTP-AM	H-69
AULT		

SUMMARY

This bill requires that the inventory and analysis required by the growth management program provisions include information on stone walls, stone impoundments and timber bridges of historical importance. The committee amendment (H-69) makes this requirement discretionary.