

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE
115TH LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION
AND
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

**BILL SUMMARIES
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ON
ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

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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 1304**An Act to Create an Exemption for Pleasant Pond Dam****ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)
 BENNETT
 TWITCHELL
 LUTHER

COMMITTEE REPORT
 ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**SUMMARY**

This bill would have exempted Pleasant Pond Dam in West Sumner from the annual \$20 dam registration fee.

LD 1306 An Act to Reduce Littering**DIED BETWEEN BODIES**

SPONSOR(S)
 KILKELLY
 LARRIVEE
 HOLLOWAY
 DAGGETT

COMMITTEE REPORT
 OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**SUMMARY**

This bill would have made the release of more than 10 helium filled balloons a civil violation subject to a forfeiture of not more than \$200 nor less than \$25 for each violation. Committee Amendment "A" (H-255) reduced the number of balloons permitted to be released to 1 and proposed to exempt the release of balloons used for scientific experimentation or that are used for meteorological observations. House Amendment "A" (H-479) to Committee Amendment "A" proposed to increase the number of balloons permitted to be released to 20 or more.

LD 1311 Resolve, Authorizing the Sale of Certain Public Lands**RESOLVE 12**

SPONSOR(S)
 WENTWORTH
 TITCOMB
 LORD

COMMITTEE REPORT
 OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
 H-328

SUMMARY

This resolve authorizes the Director of the Bureau of Public Lands to consummate the sale of certain public lands to Rebecca S. Brown.

The committee amendment (H-328) changes the resolve to increase the sale price of the property in question to \$1,500 and removes the requirement for the land to be surveyed. The amendment also defines the term "Grantee" and requires any changes in this agreement to be approved by the Legislature. The amendment also adds a fiscal note.

LD 1321 An Act to Safeguard Production of Ground Water**PUBLIC 455**

SPONSOR(S)
 MICHAUD
 BALDACCI
 COLES

COMMITTEE REPORT
 OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
 H-542

SUMMARY

This bill establishes the Maine Water Well Drilling Program within the Department of Environmental