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**STATE OF MAINE
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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

**BILL SUMMARIES
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ON
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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES**

MAY 1992

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 far right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

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

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, especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

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

Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources

LD 688 **An Act Concerning the Scallop Dragging Limit** **ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
LOOK VOSE FARREN CARROLL J	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill would have created a scallop drag limit of 5 1/2 feet for all waters of the State. The bill also would have extended the time during which scallop fishing is prohibited by 15 days.

LD 1999 **An Act to Clarify the Definition of Resident as it Pertains to Marine Resource Licenses** **PUBLIC 692**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
GOULD R R TOWNSEND VOSE	OTP-AM	S-551

SUMMARY

The intent of this bill was to enact a definition of a resident for the purposes of issuing a marine resource harvesting or dealer license.

Committee amendment "A" (S-551) clarified the language of the bill.

LD 2015 **An Act Authorizing the Establishment of Fisheries Management Zones** **ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
VOSE	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill would have required the Commissioner of Marine Resources to adopt rules by July 1, 1992 that establish coastal fisheries zones and would have required all subsequent notices, publications or advertisements of department rule-making activity to identify the zones affected by that rule-making activity.

LD 2038 **Resolve, Concerning the Transfer of Property to Bigelow Laboratory** **ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
CROWLEY MAYO	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill would have repealed Resolves 1991, chapter 39, which authorized the transfer of property from the Department of Marine Resources to the Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences. Although this bill did

not pass, that Resolve was amended by Committee Amendment "A" to LD 2076, An Act to Make Revisions in Marine Resource Laws.

LD 2062 An Act to Allow Transfer of Commercial Moorings

PUBLIC 685

SPONSOR(S)
LAWRENCE

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-946

SUMMARY

In its original form, this bill would have authorized harbor masters to transfer commercial fishing moorings.

Committee amendment "A" (H-946) replaced the entire bill. The amendment allows a municipality to adopt an ordinance permitting the transfer of a mooring assignment used for commercial fishing purposes to a member of the assignee's family, provided that the mooring assignment continues to be used for commercial fishing purposes.

LD 2064 An Act to Provide an Exemption to the Sunday Fishing Ban When a Storm Advisory or Storm Warning Is in Effect

PUBLIC 678

SPONSOR(S)
HEINO
VOSE
HOLLOWAY
FARREN

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-947

SUMMARY

This bill would have permitted people to haul lobster traps between 4 p.m. on Saturday and 7 a.m. on Monday between June 1st and August 31st if a storm advisory or storm warning is in effect.

Committee amendment "A" (H-947) clarifies that a hurricane warning issued by the National Weather Service must be in effect to permit the lawful raising, hauling or transfer of lobster traps in coastal waters during those hours.

LD 2076 An Act to Make Revisions in Marine Resource Laws

PUBLIC 784

SPONSOR(S)
LOOK
GOULD R R
MITCHELL J
HEINO

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-1079
H-1158 COLES

SUMMARY

In its original form, this bill corrected allocation errors in 2 marine resources laws enacted during the First Regular Session of the 115th Legislature.

Committee amendment "A" (H-1079) added provisions to the bill that increase the maximum permitted fee for municipal shellfish licenses, repeals the minimum quahog size, reenacts language pertaining to the embargo authority of the Maine Sardine Council and makes technical reference corrections to existing law. The amendment also amends Resolves 1991, chapter 39, in a manner that limits the duration of the authority granted to the Department of Marine Resources to convey certain properties to the Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences.

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