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BILL SUMMARIES**

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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

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

replaces it with a provision to exempt certain lots within the jurisdiction of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission from full subdivision review.

If a lot is part of a subdivision that was platted between April 20, 1988 and September 30, 1989, consists of a parcel of at least 40 acres and less than 100 acres and is located at least 1/4 mile from the shore of any major water body, then that lot may be reviewed under the commission's chapter 16 rules. These rules impose certain standards and restrictions on these lots. Any lots within that subdivision that do not meet these criteria are subject to full subdivision review.

A house amendment (H-1077) removes the emergency preamble and emergency clause.

LD 2133

An Act Pertaining to the Assessment of Fees on Nuclear Power Plants

PUBLIC 879

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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-1234 GWADOSKY
H-1294 JACQUES
S-610

SUMMARY

The committee amendment (H-957) changes the original bill to provide for the collection of additional funds for one year from any nuclear power plant in the State for the siting, land acquisition, site characterization and licensing of a low-level radioactive waste facility. The total cap on funds is raised from \$10,000,000 to \$12,500,000.

The committee amendment deletes the cap on the amount of money the Maine Low-level Radioactive Waste Authority may raise in user fees and defines and expands the uses for which those fees may be charged.

The amendment also clarifies how impact payments will be determined and provides the authority with the ability to make incentive payments to a municipality in which a low-level radioactive disposal or storage facility is located, or to a county if the facility is located within an unorganized territory. This amendment also provides that the authority may reimburse owners of property if the value has been affected by the disposal or storage facility.

The committee amendment requires legislative approval of any incentive package offered to a locality for hosting a low-level radioactive waste disposal or storage facility through the submission to the Legislature of a bill defining the incentive package.

A house amendment (H-1234) creates the Citizens' Advisory Group to advise the Maine Low-level Radioactive Waste Authority. The Citizens' Advisory Group will be composed of no less than 20 members representing a broad cross-section of Maine's population. The Citizens' Advisory Group will meet at least 4 times a year. Members will receive expenses for attending meetings of the Citizens' Advisory Group.

Another house amendment (H-1294) requires that any user fees assessed by the Maine Low-level Radioactive Waste Authority for a storage or disposal facility be subject to legislative enactment. It also deletes a technical change from the amendment so as to continue the requirement of legislative enactment for additional assessments to any nuclear power plant in the State.