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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.

**Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of
Maine to Protect Revenues Raised By the Department of Inland
Fisheries and Wildlife****SPONSOR(S)**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

H-1102

SUMMARY

This Resolution was referred to and reported out of the Appropriations Committee. However, since the issues involved are of unusually significant consequence to the Fisheries and Wildlife Committee, it is included here.

This Resolution proposes an amendment to the Constitution of Maine. The amendment requires that appropriations in any fiscal year to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (or successor agency responsible for noncommercial fisheries and wildlife management) be no less than the amount of revenues collected by the department pursuant to the laws administered by the department. The proposed constitutional amendment makes an exception for the allocation of federal monies and also makes an exception for any special funds which the Legislature creates (such as the nongame fund), provided that revenues placed in special funds must be used only for the purposes of the special funds and may not be diverted for other purposes.

The Resolution is subject to approval by the voters in a referendum to be held in November of 1992.

Committee Amendment A (H-1102) adds a fiscal note.