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## STATE OF MAINE 115TH LEGISLATURE

### SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# BILL SUMMARIES JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES

**MAY 1992** 

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## ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

## 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
P&S XXX
RESOLVE XXX
CON RES XXX
EMERGENCY
CARRIED OVER
ONTP
LVWD
INDEF PP
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT
DIED BETWEEN BODIES
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE
VETO SUSTAINED
UNSIGNED
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT

Chapter # of enacted Public Law
Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law
Chapter # of enacted Resolve
Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
Bill carried over to Special Session
Ought Not to Pass report accepted
Leave to Withdraw report accepted
Bill Indefinitely Postponed
Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
House and Senate disagree; bill died
Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree
Legislature filed to override Governor's Veto
Not signed by Governor within 10 days
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.

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill had a suggested reference to the Utilities Committee but was not referred; rather, the bill was tabled in the Senate and considered informally by members of the Utilities Committee.

The bill attempted to create the Fort Kent Utilities District.

The Senate Amendment (S-663) strikes and replaces the bill with new language creating the Fort Kent Utilities District. The amendment makes a number of technical changes from the original bill and clarifies the powers and responsibilities of the district. The amendment also exempts the bill from the municipal mandate law.

LD 2437

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Rangeley Water District

P & S 106

EMERGENCY

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COMMITTEE REPORT

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** 

MILLS BARTH S-678 CLEVELAND

#### SUMMARY

This bill had a suggested reference to the Utilities committee but was not referred.

This bill makes further revisions in the charter of the Rangeley Water District, which was enacted earlier in the session and approved by the voters of the Rangeley Water District.

This bill adds a nominating procedure and clarifies the election procedures for the initial board of trustees. The terms of office of the initial Board of Trustees are also changed to coincide with the annual June town meeting of the Town of Rangeley.

The Senate Amendment (S-678) makes a technical correction.

LD 2449

## An Act Concerning the Maine Municipal and Rural Electrification Cooperative Agency

PUBLIC 855

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

CARPENTER DUTREMBLE D

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill had a suggested reference to the Utilities Committee but was not referred; rather, it was simply enacted without reference.

This bill restores the Maine Municipal and Rural Electrification Cooperative Agency that was repealed in the first supplemental budget bill, Public Law 1991, chapter 622.

#### LD 2452 An Act to Amend the East Pittston Water District Charter

P & S 110

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

**FARNSWORTH** 

H-1335 FARNSWORTH

#### SUMMARY

This bill had a suggested reference to the Utilities Committee but was not referred.