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**BILL SUMMARIES  
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ON  
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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE  
BILL SUMMARIES**

**JULY 1993**

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.

The committee report or reports, the prime sponsor for each bill and the lead co-sponsor in each house if one has been designated are listed below each bill title. 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:

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

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

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**SUMMARY**

This bill would have prohibited the simultaneous possession or transport of sea urchins and lobsters aboard any registered vessel by a person licensed to harvest sea urchins by hand. The substance of this bill was incorporated into Committee amendment "A" of LD 140.

**LD 311**      **An Act Concerning Shellfish Licenses**      **ONTP**

**SPONSOR(S)**                      **COMMITTEE REPORT**                      **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
BUSTIN                                      ONTP

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have required municipalities that have adopted shellfish conservation ordinances to issue a municipal shellfish license to any person holding a state shellfish harvesting license.

**LD 328**      **An Act to Establish a Season for Sea Urchin Fishing in a Restricted Area**      **ONTP**

**SPONSOR(S)**                      **COMMITTEE REPORT**                      **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
HEINO    ONTP

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have established a season for handfishing and dragging of sea urchins in a restricted area.

**LD 352**      **An Act to Amend the Lobster Dealer License Fee**      **ONTP**

**SPONSOR(S)**                      **COMMITTEE REPORT**                      **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
ZIRNKILTON                                      ONTP

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have required the Commissioner of Marine Resources to adopt rules establishing a license fee for wholesale lobster dealers that reflects the annual volume of lobsters the dealer is authorized to purchase, sell, process, ship or transport. The current fee for a wholesale seafood license with a lobster permit would have been amended to reflect the fee structure established by the commissioner.

**LD 424**      **An Act to Establish Scallop Drag Sizes for Waters within the 3-mile Limit**      **ONTP**

**SPONSOR(S)**                      **COMMITTEE REPORT**                      **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
VOSE    ONTP

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have set a size limit on certain drags used in the State's coastal waters. The bill charged the Commissioner of Marine Resources with the task of identifying vulnerable areas and areas where the potential for gear conflicts is high.