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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.

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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**LD 384**      **An Act Regarding Noncomplying House and Camp Lots**      ONTP

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

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have permitted lots that are under the jurisdiction of the Land Use Regulation Commission and that existed on June 6, 1990 to be developed with single-family homes or camps using LURC's pre-1990 setback and minimum shoreline frontage standards.

**LD 394**      **An Act to Change the Definition of Beverage Container for the Purposes of Recycling**      PUBLIC 72

**SPONSOR(S)**                      **COMMITTEE REPORT**                      **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
MORRISON                                      OTP-AM                                      H-96

**SUMMARY**

This bill amends the definition of "beverage container" in the bottle deposit law to change the maximum size container from one gallon to 4 liters.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-96) adds a fiscal note.

**LD 395**      **An Act to Grandfather Property under Certain Environmental Laws**      PUBLIC 318

**SPONSOR(S)**                      **COMMITTEE REPORT**                      **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
NORTON                                      OTP-AM                                      H-460

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have permitted a person who purchased property prior to enactment of the shoreland zoning laws and the wetland protection laws to build a single-family home on that property, notwithstanding the prohibitions in those laws.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-460) replaces the bill. It allows a municipality to include a special exception provision in its shoreland zoning ordinances to permit a person to build a single-family home on a lot in a Resource Protection District. To qualify for the special exception, the person must have purchased and recorded the lot before formation of the Resource Protection District, and the construction must meet certain other standards such as a minimum setback and protection of the 100-year floodplain. The planning board of the municipality would review the application for this special exception and would be permitted to issue a permit if the construction meets the terms of the special exception provision. A municipality is not required to adopt this special exception provision.

**LD 411**      **An Act to Promote Uniformity of Pricing among Municipalities Serviced by Privately Owned Waste-to-energy Facilities**      ONTP

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