

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE  
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.

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:

*PUBLIC XXX*

*P&S XXX*

*RESOLVE XXX*

*CON RES XXX*

*EMERGENCY*

*CARRIED OVER*

*ONTP*

*ENACTMENT FAILED*

*INDEF PP*

*FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT*

*FAILED MANDATE 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 Second Session*

*Ought Not to Pass report accepted*

*Bill failed to get majority vote*

*Bill Indefinitely Postponed*

*Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote*

*Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote*

*House & Senate disagree; bill died*

*Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree*

*Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto*

*Not signed by Governor within 10 days*

*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.

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**LD 1019**    **An Act to Establish a Monthly Average Dissolved Oxygen Standard for Class C Waters**

ONTP

**SPONSOR(S)**  
ANDERSON  
VOSE

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have created a standard for the 30-day average dissolved oxygen concentration for Class C waters of 5.5 parts per million. The regional office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency objected to this proposal as being inconsistent with the requirements of the federal Clean Water Act. The committee unanimously recommended an "ought not to pass" report.

**LD 1023**    **An Act to Amend and Clarify the Solid Waste Management Laws**

PUBLIC 310

**SPONSOR(S)**  
MARSH  
LUDWIG

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
OTP-AM

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
H-298  
H-452    JACQUES

**SUMMARY**

This bill proposed several changes to the solid waste laws affecting the Maine Waste Management Agency.

Committee amendment "A" (H-298) replaced the bill.

Part A of the amendment revises the toxics reduction in packaging laws to require that manufacturers furnish certificates of compliance to purchasers instead of to the agency and to establish a 6-year exemption for packaging that can not meet the statutory concentration levels because of the addition of post-consumer materials. Part A also repeals a transition provision that is no longer applicable and repeals the provisions pertaining to a voluntary waste reduction and recycling labeling program. This part also establishes that a waste reduction or recycling marketing and advertising claim made in violation of Federal Trade Commission guidelines is a violation of the Maine Unfair Trade Practices Act.

Part B amends the host community benefits provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 38, chapter 24, subchapter V to limit its application to solid waste disposal facilities owned or operated by the Maine Waste Management Agency.

Part C clarifies that the imported municipal solid waste fee is assessed on municipal solid waste going to commercial solid waste disposal facilities. This part also clarifies the fee payment procedure for waste delivered to solid waste disposal facilities and makes that procedure retroactive to September 30, 1989, the effective date of the laws governing waste disposal fees and contracts under Title 38, chapter 24, subchapter VII.

House amendment "A" (H-452) removes a retroactivity provision in Part C, since the section affected is merely a clarification of existing law.

**LD 1030**    **An Act to Clarify Air Emission Standards**

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**