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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:

<i>PUBLIC XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Public Law</i>
<i>P&S XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Private & 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 & 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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the Authority to adopt rules for the packaging of wastes and to oversee the cleanup of areas contaminated by radioactive waste. The bill was carried over to the Second Regular Session.

LD 1462 An Act to Facilitate Oil Spill Cleanup Operations

PUBLIC 333
EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)
CONLEY

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-236

SUMMARY

This bill establishes that discharges of oil associated with oil spill clean-up operations are exempt from the state waste discharge license and oil discharge prohibition laws when such discharges occur at the instruction of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection or the commissioner's designee.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-236) replaces the bill with clearer language. It provides that a person is not in violation of the discharge license or prohibition laws if the discharge occurs in the process of recovering, containing, cleaning up or removing oil spills to surface water if the action is undertaken in compliance with the instructions of the commissioner or the commissioner's designee.

LD 1479 An Act to Identify Laboratories Subject to the Laboratory Certification Program

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)
DUTREMBLE D
CARPENTER

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill amends the laboratory certification program to provide that the mandatory requirements of the laboratory certification program apply only to commercial laboratories that receive annual revenues of more than \$10,000 for the analysis of water, wastewater, soil, air, solid or hazardous waste or radiological samples for use in the programs of the Department of Human Services or the Department of Environmental Protection. The bill allows any other laboratory to voluntarily apply for certification under the program. The bill was carried over.

LD 1487 An Act to Improve Environmental Protection and Support Economic Development under the State's Land Use Laws

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)
JACQUES
DUTREMBLE D

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill restructures the current system of land use planning and natural resource regulation. Specifically, the bill prioritizes the role of the State in regulating land use as that of protecting natural resources. The role of local governments in the land use regulatory system is to guide the location of development. State jurisdiction under the site location of development laws and the mandatory shoreland zoning laws will be phased out and replaced with local plans and ordinances. State and regionally significant natural resources will become the sole jurisdiction of the State once a natural resources plan is completed.