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BILL SUMMARIES
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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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**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&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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4. Changes the provision of the bill that proposed to allow 2 commissioners to appoint the 3rd commissioner when there is a vacancy. Under this amendment, the board of selectmen of the Town of Boothbay Harbor may appoint a commissioner to fill the vacancy until the next election in May, when a new commissioner is elected.

LD 1502

An Act to Identify Potential Costs of Utility Projects to Municipalities and Corporations That Provide Services to Municipalities

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)
DUTREMBLE D

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill proposes to provide that utility hydroelectric projects that affect river water levels are subject to municipal zoning ordinances and municipal review. The bill also proposes to impose additional requirements on utilities to provide communities affected by the utilities' projects notice of the impact and costs of those projects.

LD 1526

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Oxford Water District

P & S 42
EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)
BENNETT

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-471

SUMMARY

This bill increases the borrowing authority of the Oxford Water District from \$300,000 to \$1,500,000.

The committee amendment (H-471) adds a mandate preamble.

LD 1538

An Act to Establish Curtailable Load Retention Service

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)
LAWRENCE
LEMONT

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill proposes to create a special curtailable load-retention service rate for certain industrial customers.

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