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BILL SUMMARIES
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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, 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

ONTP

INDEF PP

FAILED ENACTMENT

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

Ought Not to Pass report accepted

Bill Indefinitely Postponed

Bill failed to get majority vote

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 unable to agree; bill died

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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LD 1654 **An Act Pertaining to Stage II Vapor Recovery** ONTP

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

SUMMARY

This bill would have prohibited the Board of Environmental Protection from adopting rules that would implement or require Stage II vapor recovery at gasoline service stations.

LD 1672 **An Act to Provide Assistance to Homeowners Who Have Faulty Septic Systems** INDEF PP

SPONSOR(S) **COMMITTEE REPORT** **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**
KONTOS OTP-AM
PINGREE

SUMMARY

This bill would have amended the laws governing the Maine Overboard Discharge Assistance Program, which provides for assistance to homeowners whose faulty wastewater systems are discharging directly into surface waters. The bill would have allowed use of program funds, if funding becomes available, for a faulty or substandard residential wastewater system that results in any discharge. The program would have been administered by the Maine State Housing Authority. The committee amendment added a fiscal note and made several technical drafting changes.

LD 1682 **An Act to Provide for Review of Certain Northeast Ozone Transport Commission Activities** ONTP

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

SUMMARY

This bill would have required the representative for Maine serving on the Northeast Ozone Transport Commission to report periodically to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy and Natural Resources concerning proposed resolutions, memoranda of understanding and recommendations and to provide information before certain final commission actions.

LD 1686 **An Act to Exempt Publicly Owned Treatment Works from Certain Rules Adopted by the Board of Environmental Protection** ONTP

SPONSOR(S) **COMMITTEE REPORT** **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**
BIRNEY ONTP
HANLEY

SUMMARY

LD 1686 proposed to exempt publicly owned treatment works from those portions of the Board of Environmental Protection's surface water toxics control program that differ from or are more stringent than the requirements established by the United States Environmental Protection Agency under the Federal Water Pollution Act, also known as the "Clean Water Act."