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STATE OF MAINE 117TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

BILL SUMMARIES JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

AUGUST 1995

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION BEFORE THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES

AUGUST 1995

This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing 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 publication, <u>History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents</u>, is helpful in determining to which committee any particular bill was referred.

In this document, 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 categories of final action are abbreviated as follows:

CARRIED OVER Bill carried over to Second Session Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses CON RES XXX CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died **DIED BETWEEN BODIES** House & Senate disagree; bill died **DIED ON ADJOURNMENT** Action incomplete when session ended; bill died **EMERGENCY** Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote FAILED ENACTMENT Bill failed to get majority vote FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote INDEF PP Bill Indefinitely Postponed Ought Not to Pass report accepted ONTP P&S XXX Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law **PUBLIC XXX** Chapter # of enacted Public Law RESOLVE XXX Chapter # of enacted Resolve Not signed by Governor within 10 days **UNSIGNED VETO SUSTAINED** Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

These summaries were prepared by the analyst or analysts assigned to the committee. If more detailed information is needed on a bill, contact the committee analyst.

5581LHS

Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources

LD 1

Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection to Extend the Deadline for Licensure of the Transfer Station on Long Island

INDEF PP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

ADAMS

SUMMARY

This resolve would have directed the Department of Environmental Protection to extend until September 15, 1995 the term of the temporary license for the municipal solid waste transfer station on Long Island.

LD9

An Act to Equalize Payments for Emission Testing in the

ONTP

State

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

LEMONT

ONTP

SUMMARY

This bill would have eliminated the Motor Vehicle Emission testing fee and instead required that each motor vehicle registered in this State be assessed a \$7 fee biennially to cover the costs incurred by the testing program.

LD 15

Resolve, to Require that the Department of Environmental Protection Provide Possible Remedies for Materials It Strictly Controls

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

GREENLAW

ONTP

SUMMARY

This resolve would have directed the appropriate bureau of the Department of Environmental Protection to provide employers information about what they can do with materials the bureau strictly controls instead of specifications of what cannot be done with these materials.

LD 31

An Act to Allow Protection from Governmentally Constructed Jetties by Amending the Definition of Permanent Structure to Exclude Ripraps Installed in Front of Seawalls from the 7-month Restriction

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

CARLETON

ONTP

SUMMARY

This bill would have allowed permanent placement of riprap to protect a seawall from erosion caused by a governmentally constructed jetty, without requiring a permit. See LD 160.