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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

Environmental Protection to consult with the Office of the State Fire Marshal regarding fire abatement and control of tire stockpiles.

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" TO COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-486) adds uncontrolled tire stockpiles to the list of sites and facilities to which a person may not add used motor vehicle tires.

LD 770

An Act to Return to Municipalities Control over Permits by Rule Currently Implemented by the Department of Environmental Protection ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

RICE

ONTP

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill would have made municipalities the sole enforcement authority for civil violations of permit-by-rule standards.

LD 773

An Act to Amend the Laws Pertaining to the Control of Phosphorus Transport in Watersheds

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

**COMMITTEE REPORT** 

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

LORD

ONTP

ONTP

#### SUMMARY

This bill would have required that any method developed to determine phosphorus concentration in great pond watersheds incorporate a methodology that accounts for the distance of a subdivision from the great pond in addition to the characteristics of land that influence a subdivision's impact on phosphorus concentrations.

LD 776

Resolve, to Require the Department of Environmental Protection to Restore Daigle Pond

ONTP

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COMMITTEE REPORT

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** 

MARTIN

PARADIS

#### **SUMMARY**

This resolve would have required the Department of Environmental Protection to use funds from the Lake Restoration and Protection Fund to implement the proposal of the Committee for Daigle Pond Restoration to restore Daigle Pond in the Town of New Canada.

LD 817

An Act to Establish a System of Recycling Credits for

ONTP

**Processed Wood Products** 

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

RICE

ONTP

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill would have allowed the use of processed wood products as mulch or as fuel for meeting recycling goals established by law.