

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE  
117TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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ON  
INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

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, History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents, 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:

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

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.

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**LD 804 An Act to Control the Overpopulation of Coyotes**

ONTP

**SPONSOR(S)**  
BAILEY

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill proposed a \$15 bounty on coyotes.

**LD 814 An Act to Clarify the Registration of Snowmobiles by Nonresidents**

PUBLIC 467  
EMERGENCY

**SPONSOR(S)**  
DONNELLY

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
OTP-AM

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
H-375  
H-410 ROTONDI

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have exempted nonresident snowmobile owners from sales or use taxes.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-375) replaces the bill and adds an emergency preamble and an emergency clause.

Beginning on July 1, 1995, this amendment increases the fee for nonresident snowmobile registration and exempts nonresidents from sales and use taxes on snowmobiles. Requirements that snowmobile registration agents collect and send forms proving exemption from sales and use taxes to the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife are repealed. Increased revenues from the higher nonresident registration fee are dedicated to the Snowmobile Trail Fund within the Department of Conservation.

This amendment creates a 3-day nonresident snowmobile registration for \$35, a 10-day nonresident snowmobile registration for \$50 and a seasonal nonresident snowmobile registration for \$60. The amendment makes it easier for nonresidents to register snowmobiles by requiring that the commissioner use the same criteria to select nonresident snowmobile registration agents as are used to select nonresident fishing license agents.

The amendment also increases that portion of the nonresident snowmobile registration fee that is credited to the General Fund from \$10.75 per registration to \$15 per registration.

The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" TO COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-410) clarifies that snowmobiles purchased in this State by nonresidents are not subject to sales or use taxes. This amendment also strikes the fiscal note and replaces it with a corrected version.

**LD 865 An Act to Amend the Deer Limits and Licensing Fees for Bow Hunting**

ONTP

**SPONSOR(S)**  
LEMONT  
TUTTLE

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have allowed a person who has killed a deer during the special archery season for deer to hunt and kill a 2nd deer with a firearm during the regular firearm season for deer if that person paid an additional fee of \$7.50.