

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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BILL SUMMARIES  
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON  
INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

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**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 1038 An Act Ensuring Fairness in the Distribution of Hunting Licenses by Allowing Out-of-state Landowners in Maine to Pay Reduced Hunting License Fees** ONTP

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

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have allowed a nonresident property tax payer to purchase a small game hunting license at reduced fee.

**LD 1057 An Act to Amend the Law Regarding Snowmobile Registration Fees** ONTP

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

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have increased the annual snowmobile registration fee to \$35.

**LD 1085 An Act to Reduce Fishing License Fees for Nonresidents Who Pay Property Taxes** ONTP

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

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have reduced the fishing license fees for nonresident property tax payers.

**LD 1102 An Act to Exempt Bows from the Firearms Discharge Ordinances** PUBLIC 266

**SPONSOR(S)** JACQUES  
**COMMITTEE REPORT** OTP-AM  
**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** H-335

**SUMMARY**

This bill prohibits municipalities from including bows and arrows in any firearms discharge ordinances. The bill also would have required municipalities to remove bows and arrows from any current firearms discharge ordinances.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-335) removes the provision in the bill that requires municipalities to remove reference to bows and arrows from existing firearm ordinances.

**LD 1112 An Act to Authorize a Multi-day Bass Tournament Permit** PUBLIC 210

**SPONSOR(S)** TYLER  
**COMMITTEE REPORT** OTP-AM  
**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** H-253  
H-351 UNDERWOOD

**SUMMARY**

This bill increases the allowable length of a bass tournament from one to 3 days.