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**STATE OF MAINE  
119TH LEGISLATURE**

**SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

**BILL SUMMARIES  
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ON  
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**JULY 2000**

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**Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing Committees**  
**July 2000**

We are pleased to provide this summary of bills that were considered by the Joint Standing and Select Committees of the Maine Legislature this past session. The document is a compilation of bill summaries which describe each bill and relevant amendments, as well as the final action taken. Also included are statistical summaries of bill activity this session for the Legislature and each of its joint standing and select committees.

The document is organized for convenient reference to information on bills considered by the committees. It is organized by committees and within committees by bill (LD) number. The committee report(s), prime sponsor for each bill and the lead co-sponsor(s), if designated, are listed below each bill title. All adopted amendments are listed by paper number. Two indices, a subject index and a numerical index by LD number are provided for easy reference to bills. They are located at the back of the document. A separate publication, History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents, may also be helpful in providing information on the disposition of bills. These bill summaries also are available at the Law and Legislative Reference Library and on the Internet ([www.state.me.us/legis/opla](http://www.state.me.us/legis/opla)).

Final action on each bill is noted to the right of the bill title. The abbreviations used for various categories of final action are as follows:

CON RES XXX..... Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses  
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE..... Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died  
DIED BETWEEN BODIES..... House & Senate disagree; bill died  
DIED IN CONCURRENCE..... One body accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill  
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT..... Action incomplete when session ended; bill died  
EMERGENCY..... Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days  
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE..... Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote  
FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE..... Bill failed to get majority vote  
FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT..... Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote  
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY..... Ruled out of order by the presiding officers; bill died  
INDEF PP..... Bill Indefinitely Postponed  
ONTP..... Ought Not To Pass report accepted  
OTP ND..... Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft  
OTP ND/NT..... Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft/New Title  
P&S XXX..... Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law  
PUBLIC XXX..... Chapter # of enacted Public Law  
RESOLVE XXX..... Chapter # of finally passed Resolve  
UNSIGNED..... Bill held by Governor  
VETO SUSTAINED..... Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

Please note the effective date for all non-emergency legislation enacted in the Second Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is August 11, 2000.

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***Enacted law summary***

Public Law 1999, chapter 724 suspends for 2 years the statutory requirement that the State Board of Pesticides Control submit an annual report containing the quantity of pesticide products sold the previous year sorted by name and registration number of the pesticides. It directs the board to report on its progress in developing a preferred method of data collection and reporting to track pesticide use. It authorizes the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over agricultural matters to report out legislation regarding data collection and reporting of pesticide use to the Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature.

**LD 2638**

**Resolve, Authorizing a Land Transaction by the Bureau of Parks and Lands**

**RESOLVE 112**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KONTOS FOSTER	OTP-AM	S-627

LD 2638 proposed authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to convey, by quitclaim deed and subject to certain conditions, approximately 600 acres of nonreserved public lands in the towns of New Gloucester, North Yarmouth and Gray to October Corporation for not less than fair market value.

***Enacted law summary***

Resolve 1999, chapter 112 authorizes the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to convey, by quitclaim deed and subject to certain conditions, approximately 600 acres of nonreserved public lands in the towns of New Gloucester, North Yarmouth and Gray to October Corporation for not less than fair market value. These nonreserved public lands, which consist of approximately 300 acres currently leased for agricultural use and approximately 300 acres of interspersed woodlands, are generally contiguous to or in the vicinity of the Pineland Facility campus.

The conveyance is contingent upon exercise of an "Option Agreement," dated January 10, 2000, between the State and October Corporation for the purchase of certain state-owned parcels of real estate and certain buildings associated with the State's Pineland Facility situated primarily in the Town of New Gloucester.

Proceeds from the sale of the nonreserved public lands of the Bureau of Parks and Lands must be used to purchase land to be managed for similar purposes in Cumberland County.