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*First Regular Session*

*Bill Summaries*

*Joint Standing Committee  
on  
Inland Fisheries and Wildlife*

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**Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing Committees  
August 2001**

Enclosed please find a summary of all bills, resolves, joint study orders, joint resolutions and Constitutional resolutions that were considered by the joint standing 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 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:

*CARRIED OVER*..... *Bill Carried Over to Second Regular Session*  
*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 First Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is **September 21, 2001**.

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## Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

LD 54

**An Act to Allow the Transfer of a Valid Turkey Permit to a Juvenile or Senior Citizen**

PUBLIC 6

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MURPHY E		<u>Committee Report</u> OTP		<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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LD 54 proposed to allow a juvenile or person 65 years of age or older to hunt turkey if an adult holding a valid turkey permit transfers the permit to the juvenile or person 65 years of age or older.

### *Enacted law summary*

Public Law 2001, chapter 6 allows an adult holding a valid turkey permit to transfer that permit to a juvenile or person 65 years of age or older.

LD 55

**An Act to Provide an Extra Hunting Opportunity for Junior License Holders**

PUBLIC 131

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> CHICK CARPENTER		<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM		<u>Amendments Adopted</u> H-183
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LD 55 proposed to provide an extra day of hunting for junior license holders by designating the Saturday preceding the residents-only Saturday as a day for junior hunters only.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-183)** proposed to allow the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish a youth deer hunting day by rule. It also proposed to add a fiscal note to the bill.

### *Enacted law summary*

Public Law 2001, chapter 131 authorizes the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish by rule deer hunting for youths.

**LD 69**

**An Act to Expand the Lifetime Hunting License**

PUBLIC 37

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> DUNLAP MARTIN		<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM		<u>Amendments Adopted</u> H-20 H-45 DUNLAP
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LD 69 proposed to require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to include in its recommendations for a lifetime hunting and fishing license the feasibility of an addition to that license allowing the license holder to hunt with a bow.

## Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-20)** proposed to require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to include muzzle-loader opportunities in its recommendations to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over inland fisheries and wildlife matters.

**House Amendment "A" (H-45)** proposed to add an archery hunting license as a type of resident lifetime license that may be purchased.

### *Enacted law summary*

Public Law 2001, chapter 37 requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to include in its recommendations for a lifetime hunting and fishing license the feasibility of an addition to that license allowing the license holder to hunt with a bow. This public law also requires the department to include muzzle-loader opportunities in its recommendations to the joint standing committee.

Public Law 2001, chapter 37 establishes an archery hunting license as a type of resident lifetime license that may be purchased and provides for an option to purchase a combination of all 3 lifetime license.

**LD 72**                      **An Act to Allow Bow Hunters to Take a Deer During Bow Hunting Season in Addition to the Deer Allowed During Firearm Season**                      **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> GAGNE FERGUSON	<u>Committee Report</u> ONTP	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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LD 72 proposed to allow 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.

**LD 75**                      **Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Establish a Preference Point System for the Moose Lottery**                      **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> DUNLAP MARTIN	<u>Committee Report</u> ONTP	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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LD 75 proposed to require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish a preference point system for the issuance of moose permits.