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*State Of Maine
120th Legislature*

First Regular Session

Bill Summaries

*Joint Standing Committee
on
State and Local Government*

August 2001

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Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing Committees
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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).

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 State and Local Government

accomplished is abandoned or if reaffirmation fails to occur, the taking entity must provide a right of first refusal to the condemnee or condemnee's heir to reacquire the property. The reacquisition price is the original condemnation price plus adjustments for improvements to the property and for changes in the Consumer Price Index since the taking. Written notice must be provided to the condemnee or the condemnee's heir by certified mail, return receipt requested. If the address of the condemnee or the condemnee's heir cannot be determined after reasonable diligence, notice may be by 2 newspaper publications. The condemnee or the condemnee's heir then has 90 days to respond or the taking entity may sell the property for fair market value. The condemnee or the condemnee's heir may relinquish his or her rights at any time and full ownership rights transfer to the taking entity.

LD 106

An Act to Establish Maine Lighthouse Week

**PUBLIC 5
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCNEIL SAVAGE C	OTP	

LD 106 proposed to establish Maine Lighthouse Week during the 3rd full week in June, beginning in 2001.

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2001, chapter 5 designates the 3rd full week in June as Maine Lighthouse Week beginning in 2001.

Public Law 2001, chapter 5 was enacted as an emergency measure effective March 13, 2001.

LD 112

**An Act to Designate the First Saturday in September as Colonel
Freeman McGilvery Day**

PUBLIC 7

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BERRY D	OTP MAJ ONTP MIN	

LD 112 proposed to establish the first Saturday in September as Colonel Freeman McGilvery Day.

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2001, chapter 7 designates the first Saturday in September as Colonel Freeman McGilvery Day.