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STATE OF MAINE 120TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

BILL SUMMARIES JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

AUGUST 2001

MEMBERS: Sen. Kenneth T. Gagnon, Chair Sen. Kenneth F. Lemont Sen. Richard Kneeland

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MEMORANDUM

To:

Members, Joint Standing Committee on Taxation

From:

Julie S. Jones, Legislative Analyst

Date:

August 22, 2001

Re:

Bill Summaries, 120th Legislature, 1st Regular Session

Enclosed please find a summary of all bills, resolves, joint study orders, joint resolutions and Constitutional resolutions that were considered by the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation during the 1st Regular Session of the 120th Legislature. The summary describes each bill or order and relevant amendments as well as the final action. Also included is a statistical summary of bill activity by the committee. Please note the effective date for all non-emergency legislation enacted in the 1st Regular Session (unless a later date is specified in a particular law) is September 21, 2001. Joint orders are effective when passed.

The document is organized for convenient reference to information on bills handled by the committee this session. It is organized by bill (LD) number and two indices are located at the back of the document that group bills by subject and by LD number. 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	Dill amounted assessed to Caracad Daniel Caraca
CARRIED OVER	Bill carried over to the Second Regular Session
	apter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE	
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	House & Senate disagree; bill died
DIED IN CONCURRENCEOne body ac	cepts 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	
OTP ND/NT	Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft/New Title
P&S XXX	
PUBLIC XXX	Chapter # of enacted Public Law
RESOLVE XXX	Chapter # of finally passed Resolve
UNSIGNED	
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

A complete summary of bills for all committees will be available in the very near future. Copies will be on file in the Law and Legislative Reference Library and Senate and House offices.

I hope you find this information useful. If you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Best wishes for an enjoyable interim.

LD 358

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Require a Vote of 2/3 of Each House of the Legislature to Enact or Include a Tax or License Fee

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
WATERHOUSE	ONTP MAJ	
	OTP-AM MIN	

LD 358 proposed to amend the Constitution of Maine to require approval of 2/3 of each House of the Legislature to enact or increase taxes or license fees except when inadequate funds have been appropriated for debt payment.