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*State Of Maine
120th Legislature*

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Bill Summaries

*Joint Standing Committee
on
Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry*

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**.

David E. Boulter, Director
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Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

LD 488

An Act to Correct an Error in the Bureau of Parks and Lands Statute

PUBLIC 312

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KNEELAND CARR	OTP-AM MAJ ONTP MIN	S-182

LD 488 proposed correcting an unintentional change made when the Title 12, Chapter 220 was enacted to reorganize the statutes pertaining to the Bureau of Parks and Lands. It requires relocation of any privately owned road within the Allagash Wilderness Waterway ordered discontinued by the Bureau of Public Lands within the Department of Conservation at the bureau's expense.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-182) proposed the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. This amendment proposed language to clarify that the Bureau of Parks and Lands is not required to relocate a road when the bureau is directing that the road be discontinued and the landowner does not request relocation at the time.

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2001, chapter 312 requires relocation of any privately owned road within the Allagash Wilderness Waterway ordered discontinued by the Bureau of Public Lands within the Department of Conservation at the bureau's expense. It clarifies that the Bureau of Parks and Lands is not required to relocate a road when the bureau is directing that the road be discontinued and the landowner does not request relocation.

LD 515

An Act to Eliminate the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CLARK SHOREY	ONTP	

LD 515 proposed eliminating the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission effective October 1, 2002. The bill would have directed the commission, in cooperation with the Department of Environmental Protection, to propose implementing legislation to reassign the commission's duties to the department.