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**STATE OF MAINE
120TH LEGISLATURE**

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

**BILL SUMMARIES
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

AUGUST 2001

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MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

From: J. Timothy Leet, Senior Analyst

Date: August 8, 2001

Re: Bill Summaries, 120th Legislature, 1st Regular Session

Enclosed please find a summary of all bills, resolves and Constitutional resolutions that were considered by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs during the 1st Regular Session of the 120th Legislature. The summary describes each bill 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.....	Bill carried over to the 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
ONT P.....	Ought Not To Pass report accepted
OT P ND.....	Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft
OT P 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

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 1663

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$17,200,000 to Construct and Upgrade Water Pollution Control Facilities, to Remove Discharges, to Remediate Municipal Solid Waste Landfills, to Clean up Tire Stockpiles, to Make Drinking Water System Improvements and to Assist Municipalities in Building and Upgrading Infrastructure for Public Health and Safety

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<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
COWGER	OTP-AM MAJ	H-727
MARTIN	OTP-AM MIN	H-745 BERRY R

LD 1663 proposed a bond issue, in the amount of \$17,200,000, to be used for the following purposes:

1. \$8,000,000 to construct and upgrade water pollution control facilities, providing the state match for \$12,500,000 in federal funds;
2. \$1,200,000 to protect the State's drinking water resources by granting funds to cities and towns for the remediation of their solid waste landfills;
3. \$1,500,000 to protect public health, safety and the environment by providing funds to remove and replace failing septic systems;
4. \$1,000,000 to protect public health, safety and the environment by providing funds to remove the replace overboard discharges;
5. \$500,000 to protect the public health, safety and the environment by providing funds for the cleanup of tire stockpiles;
6. \$3,000,000 to support drinking water system improvements that address public health threats, providing the state match for \$15,760,000 in federal funds; and
7. \$2,000,000 to prepare municipal digital data layers and maps.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-727) was the majority report of the Committee and proposed to replace the portion of the bond issue that provided \$2,000,000 to prepare municipal digital data layers and maps with a provision that provides \$2,000,000 in grants and loans to municipalities for public infrastructure through the Municipal Investment Trust Fund.

House Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (H-745) proposed to amend the bond issue amount from \$17,200,000 to \$17,000,000 to be used in the following ways:

1. \$6,000,000 to construct and upgrade water pollution control facilities, providing the state match for \$12,500,000 in federal funds;
2. \$1,000,000 to protect the State's drinking water resources by granting funds to cities and towns for the remediation of their solid waste landfills;
3. \$1,500,000 to protect public health and safety and the environment by providing funds to remove and replace failing septic systems;

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4. \$1,000,000 to protect public health and safety and the environment by providing funds to remove overboard discharges;
5. \$500,000 to protect the public health and safety and the environment by providing funds for the cleanup of tire stockpiles;
6. \$3,000,000 to support drinking water system improvements that address public health threats, providing the state match for \$15,760,000 in federal funds;
7. \$300,000 for grants and loans to municipalities for public infrastructure through the Municipal Investment Trust Fund;
8. \$2,000,000 to construct new or retrofit existing pollution control structures on Maine farms to protect the environment;
9. \$700,000 to construct environmentally sound water sources that help avoid drought damage to crops; and
10. \$1,000,000 to recapitalize the Potato Marketing Improvement Fund.

Enacted Law Summary:

Private and Special Law 2001, chapter 33 provides for a bond issue in the amount of \$17,000,000 to be used in the following ways:

1. \$6,000,000 to construct and upgrade water pollution control facilities, providing the state match for \$12,500,000 in federal funds;
2. \$1,000,000 to protect the State's drinking water resources by granting funds to cities and towns for the remediation of their solid waste landfills;
3. \$1,500,000 to protect public health and safety and the environment by providing funds to remove and replace failing septic systems;
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