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Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing Committees
May 2002

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 organized for convenient reference to information on bills considered by the committees. It is arranged alphabetically by committee name and within committees by bill (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:

- 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
PASSED..... Joint Order passed in both bodies
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 Second Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is July 25, 2002.

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Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources

LD 2094

An Act to Encourage Regionalism in Municipal Growth Management

PUBLIC 578

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP-AM MAJ	H-951
	ONTP MIN	

LD 2094 proposed to implement a recommendation of the Joint Study Committee to Study Growth Management. It proposed to amend the comprehensive planning and land use regulation laws to add and amend definitions, particularly those related to growth, rural and transitional areas. It also proposed to reinforce regional and municipal roles in growth management and more clearly enable multimunicipal planning efforts.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-951) proposed to remove the definition of "planning district" from the bill and replace that term throughout the bill with the words "municipality or multimunicipal region."

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2001, chapter 578 implements a recommendation of the Joint Study Committee to Study Growth Management. It amends the comprehensive planning and land use regulation laws to add and amend definitions, particularly those related to growth, rural and transitional areas. It reinforces regional and municipal roles in growth management and more clearly enables multimunicipal planning efforts. (See Public Law 2001, chapter 667, Part H, which corrected a conflict between chapter 578 and chapter 592.)

LD 2095

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 10, Section 17(A)(2), (3) and (6), Standards for the Clearing of Vegetation for Development, Major Substantive Rules of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission within the Department of Conservation

**RESOLVE 98
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP-AM	H-919

LD 2095 proposed to provide for legislative review of portions of Chapter 10, Section 17(A)(2), (3) and (6), Standards for the Clearing of Vegetation for Development, a major substantive rule of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission within the Department of Conservation.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-919) proposed to require the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to amend its rules to make the minimum setbacks between mineral extraction activities and regulated water bodies within the jurisdiction of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission the same as those established in laws and rules administered by the Department of Environmental Protection.

Enacted law summary

Resolve 2001, chapter 98 requires the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to amend its rules to make the minimum setbacks between mineral extraction activities and regulated water bodies within the jurisdiction of the