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State Of Maine 121st Legislature

Second Regular Session and Second Special Session

Bill Summaries

Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

May 2004

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Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing Committees

Enclosed please find a summary of all bills, resolves, joint study orders, joint resolutions and Constitutional resolutions that were considered by the joint standing and joint 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 arranged alphabetically by committee name 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/billsumm.htm).

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:

	Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
	ly accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill
	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	Bill Indefinitely PostponedOught Not To Pass report accepted
OTP-ND	Oommittee report Ought To Pass In New Draft
P&S XXX	
PASSED	Joint Order passed in both bodies
PUBLIC XXX	Chapter # of enacted Public Law
RESOLVE XXX	Chapter # of finally passed Resolve
UNSIGNED	Chapter # of enacted Public LawChapter # of finally passed ResolveBill held by Governor
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

Please note that the effective date for all non-emergency legislation enacted in the Second Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is April 30, 2004; and non-emergency legislation enacted in the Second Special Session is July 30, 2004. Four bills (LD's 1572, 1629, 1636 and 1637) that were considered at the First Special Session in August 2003 are also included in these summaries.

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historic sites, to acquire land for coastal and inland waterway access and to capitalize a revolving loan fund for land trusts and municipalities to acquire land and conservation easements for public access.

LD 1536

An Act To Authorize the State To Establish a Multijurisdictional Lottery or Lottery Games

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
GAGNON	ONTP	

LD 1536 was originally referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs, rereferred to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over from the First Regular Session. The bill proposed to authorize the Director of the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to enter into an agreement with a multijurisdictional lottery association to operate, market and promote a joint lottery or lottery games.

LD 1919, Public Law 2003, chapter 673, Part MM authorizes the Director of the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to enter into an agreement with a multijurisdictional lottery association to operate, market and promote a joint lottery or lottery games and provides related allocations.

LD 1569

An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$16,800,000 To Construct and Upgrade Water Pollution Control Facilities, To Remediate Solid Waste Landfills, To Clean Up Uncontrolled Hazardous Substance Sites and To Make Drinking Water System Improvements

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
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COWGER		

LD 1569 was carried over from the First Regular Session and proposed to authorize a General Fund bond issue in the amount of \$16,800,000 to be used for the following purposes:

- 1. The sum of \$2,500,000 to construct and upgrade water pollution control facilities, providing the state match for \$12,500,000 in federal funds;
- 2. The sum of \$10,000,000 to provide grants to construct water pollution control facilities;
- 3. The sum of \$2,150,000 to clean up uncontrolled hazardous substance sites;
- 4. The sum of \$350,000 to remediate solid waste landfills; and