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123rd Legislature First Regular Session



Summaries of bills and adopted amendments and laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular Session of the 123rd Maine Legislature coming from the

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST OF BILL SUMMARIES AND ENACTED LAWS



This Legislative Digest of Bill Summaries and Enacted Laws summarizes all bills and adopted amendments and all laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular Session of the 123rd Maine Legislature, which was in session from December 6, 2006 to June 21, 2007.

The *Digest* is arranged alphabetically by committee, and within each committee by LD number. The committee report(s), prime sponsor and lead co-sponsor(s), if designated, are listed below each bill title. All adopted amendments are summarized and listed by paper number. A subject index is included with each committee. The appendices include a summary of relevant session statistics, an index of all bills by LD number and an index of enacted laws by law type and chapter 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		
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	House & Senate disagree; bill died	
DIED IN CONCURRENCE One body 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/FINA	AL PASSAGE Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote	
FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE		
	Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote	
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY		
INDEF PP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed	
ONTP (or Accepted ONTP report)	Ought Not To Pass report acceptedCommittee report Ought To Pass In New Draft	
OTP-ND		
P&S XXX		
PASSED	Joint Order passed in both bodies	
PUBLIC XXX		
RESOLVE XXX		
UNSIGNED	Bill held by Governor	
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto	

Please note that the effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Regular Session is **September 20, 2007**. The effective date for legislation enacted as an emergency measure is specified in the enacted law summary for those bills.

Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources

LD 1929 An Act To Assist in the Cleanup of Waste Motor Oil Disposal Sites

PUBLIC 464

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
		S-378 ROTUNDO

This bill creates a stream of revenue to retire the costs of investigation and remediation at the Portland-Bangor Waste Oil Services Sites in Plymouth, Ellsworth, Casco and Presque Isle. The Finance Authority of Maine is authorized to issue revenue obligation securities in amounts sufficient to cover the clean-up costs. These revenue obligation securities are to be retired with funds derived from a premium on motor vehicle oil changes. The premium is imposed at the retail level.

Parties that contributed waste motor oil to one of the 4 sites and who have been designated as responsible parties, including the State, instrumentalities of the State and counties and municipalities, are eligible to participate in the waste motor oil disposal site remediation program. The United States Government and its instrumentalities are not eligible to participate in the program.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-378)

This amendment includes a provision to transfer the first \$11,000 received by the Waste Motor Oil Revenue Fund within the Finance Authority of Maine to the General Fund no later than June 30, 2008.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 464 creates a stream of revenue to retire the costs of investigation and remediation at the Portland-Bangor Waste Oil Services Sites in Plymouth, Ellsworth, Casco and Presque Isle. The Finance Authority of Maine is authorized to issue revenue obligation securities in amounts sufficient to cover the clean-up costs. These revenue obligation securities are to be retired with funds derived from a premium on motor vehicle oil changes. The premium is imposed at the retail level.

Parties that contributed waste motor oil to one of the 4 sites and who have been designated as responsible parties, including the State, instrumentalities of the State and counties and municipalities, are eligible to participate in the waste motor oil disposal site remediation program. The United States Government and its instrumentalities are not eligible to participate in the program.