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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 AGRICULTURE,
CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**

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Summary of Committee Actions

I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
A. Bills referred to Committee			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	56	90.3%	2.9%
<u><i>Bills Carried Over</i></u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8.1%</u>	<u>0.3%</u>
Total Bills referred	61	98.4%	3.2%
B. Bills reported out by law or joint order	1	1.6%	0.1%
Total Bills considered by Committee	62	100.0%	3.2%
Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
Total Orders and Resolutions Referred	0	0.0%	0.0%
II. COMMITTEE REPORTS	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
A. Unanimous committee reports			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	4	7.0%	0.2%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	30	52.6%	1.7%
<i>Ought to Pass as New Draft</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Ought Not to Pass</i></u>	<u>20</u>	<u>35.1%</u>	<u>1.1%</u>
Total unanimous reports	54	94.7%	3.1%
B. Divided committee reports			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	3	5.3%	0.2%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Four-way reports</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
Total divided reports	3	5.3%	0.2%
Total committee reports	57	91.9%	3.3%
III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS	9	N/A	N/A
IV. FINAL DISPOSITION	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	24	38.7%	1.2%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	13	21.0%	0.7%
<u><i>Constitutional Resolutions</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
Total Enacted or Finally Passed	37	59.7%	1.9%
B. Major substantive rules			
<i>Authorized without legislative changes</i>	2	40.0%	8.3%
<i>Authorized with legislative changes</i>	2	40.0%	8.3%
<u><i>Not authorized by the Legislature</i></u>	<u>1</u>	<u>20.0%</u>	<u>4.2%</u>
Total number of rules reviewed	5	100.0%	20.8%
C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Held by the Governor</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
Total	0	0.0%	0.0%

Note: A committee vote on a bill is not included here if the bill was subsequently re-referred to another committee or recommitted and carried over.

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LD 21 Resolve, To Provide Access for Persons with Disabilities to Great Ponds

RESOLVE 22

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PINEAU	OTP-AM	H-82

LD 21 directs the Department of Conservation and the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to develop a plan to provide access for persons with disabilities to ponds that are 10 acres or greater and to submit that plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry by January 3, 2008.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-82)

The committee amendment directs the Department of Conservation and the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to examine the distribution of great ponds with access for persons with disabilities and to develop priorities for increasing the number and providing an appropriate geographic distribution of ponds with adequate access for people with disabilities. The 2 departments are required to report back to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry by January 3, 2008.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 22 directs the Department of Conservation and the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to examine the distribution of great ponds with access for persons with disabilities and to develop priorities for increasing the number and providing an appropriate geographic distribution of ponds with adequate access for people with disabilities. The 2 departments are required to report back to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry by January 3, 2008.

LD 25 An Act To Change the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission's Lot Size, Coverage and Setback Requirements for Some Affordable Housing Lots on Coastal Islands

ONTP

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

LD 25 directs the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to adopt dimensional standards for affordable housing on certain coastal islands. It allows affordable housing to be denser than other residential development with reduced setbacks, smaller lot sizes and larger maximum lot coverage standards. These standards apply only on islands under Maine Land Use Regulation Commission jurisdiction where at least half of the island's land area is protected for conservation purposes. If the island is a municipality or plantation, the governing body for that municipality or plantation must approve the designation of an area as appropriate for affordable housing.

LD 57 Resolve, To Develop and Promote Enhanced Humane Livestock Handling and Slaughtering Practices

RESOLVE 10

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PIEH	OTP-AM	H-43

LD 57 prohibits slaughtering livestock in sight of other livestock. This prohibition becomes effective January 1, 2009 and applies to custom and commercial slaughterhouses. The bill also amends the statutes governing the

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distribution of grants from the agricultural development fund to specify that the fund may be used to modify slaughterhouse facilities to comply with statutory provisions for humane slaughter. The bill also directs the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to give priority in the next 2 grant cycles to applicants proposing to modify slaughterhouses to comply with the prohibition.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-43)

This amendment changes the bill to a resolve directing the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to conduct a workshop and develop guidelines for enhanced voluntary humane livestock handling and slaughtering practices.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 10 directs the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to conduct a workshop and develop guidelines for enhanced voluntary humane livestock handling and slaughtering practices. It authorizes the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature. It also directs the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to give priority to applicants to the Agricultural Development Fund who are seeking funding to modify or construct slaughterhouse facilities to implement the guidelines for enhanced humane handling and slaughtering practices.

LD 145 An Act To Include Undeveloped Archeological Sites in the Acquisition Criteria for the Land for Maine's Future Fund

PUBLIC 64

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SOCTOMAH	OTP-AM	H-44

LD 145 requires at least 5% of the Land for Maine's Future Fund to be allocated for the purchase of archeological sites.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-44)

This amendment replaces the bill. It amends the criteria for determining eligibility for funding from the Land for Maine's Future Fund to specifically include undeveloped archeological sites.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 64 amends the criteria for determining eligibility for funding from the Land for Maine's Future Fund to specifically include undeveloped archeological sites.

LD 185 An Act To Prohibit Certain Uses of Monosodium Glutamate

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ANNIS SHERMAN	ONTP	

LD 185 prohibits persons selling, offering for sale or serving in any retail store, hotel, restaurant or other public eating place any food or food product from directly adding monosodium glutamate to the food being sold or served. It also changes labeling requirements for food that contains monosodium glutamate.

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LD 277 An Act To Require Mapping of Conservation Easements and Public Lands

PUBLIC 331

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
RAYE	OTP-AM	S-253

LD 277 directs the Executive Department, State Planning Office to develop and maintain a database containing information on public and private lands on which, for conservation or recreation purposes, development is prohibited or restricted. It directs the State Planning Office to work with the Maine Library of Geographic Information to produce and make available to the public a map on which these lands are located.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-253)

The committee amendment replaces the bill. It directs the Land for Maine's Future Board to include in its biennial report maps depicting publicly owned land and permanent interests in land held for conservation purposes. The maps are to provide a representation at a statewide level of the amount of land affected by conservation easements.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 331 directs the Land for Maine's Future Board to include in its biennial report maps depicting publicly owned land and permanent interests in land held for conservation purposes. The maps are to provide a representation at a statewide level of the amount of land affected by conservation easements.

LD 380 An Act To Protect the Public from Dangerous Dogs

PUBLIC 170
EMERGENCY

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
NUTTING J	OTP-AM	S-91

LD 380 establishes standards for a secure enclosure in which to confine a dangerous dog. It also allows the court to prohibit a person convicted of violating a court order pertaining to a dangerous dog from possessing or keeping a dog.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-91)

The committee amendment authorizes a court to order the owner or keeper of a dangerous dog to provide the animal control officer with identifying information for each dog kept by that person, to have dogs kept on that person's premises permanently identified and to order dogs kept on the premises to be confined in a secure enclosure. It also specifies when a dog confined in a secure enclosure by a court order is allowed out of that enclosure and the restraints that must be used.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 170 authorizes a court to order the owner or keeper of a dangerous dog to provide the animal control officer with identifying information for each dog kept by that person, to have dogs kept on that person's premises permanently identified and to order dogs kept on the premises to be confined in a secure enclosure. It also specifies when a dog confined in a secure enclosure by a court order is allowed out of that enclosure and the restraints that must be used.

Public Law 2007, chapter 170 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 25, 2007.

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LD 400 An Act To Provide Funding to the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources for Veterinarians for Farm Animals ONTP

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

LD 400 makes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$330,828 and \$460,324 in fiscal years 2007-08 and 2008-09, respectively, for the costs of 4 additional Veterinarian positions in the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources.

LD 406 An Act To Prohibit Aerial Spraying of Pesticides near Buildings, Roads and Bodies of Water ONTP

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

LD 406 establishes buffers where aerial spraying of pesticides is prohibited.

LD 471 An Act To Clarify the Status of Lots Greater than 40 Acres on Plans Recorded for Unorganized Territory Land before September 21, 2001 ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MILLS P	ONTP	

LD 471 further clarifies the intent of the Legislature by enactment of 2001 Public Law, Chapter 431 to exempt from the Land Use Regulation Commission's subdivision laws lots of 40 or more acres depicted on a plan that was recorded before September 21, 2001 and that was in compliance at the time of recording.

LD 472 An Act To Clarify Land Planning in the Unorganized and Deorganized Townships of the State PUBLIC 264

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MILLS P	OTP-AM	S-116 S-137 SHERMAN

LD 472 clarifies and amends the process by which the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission adopts a comprehensive land use plan for the unorganized and deorganized townships of the State.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-116)

The amendment removes language from the bill that requires the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to collect information from residents and property owners of the jurisdiction and other interested parties to be used in establishing the land use guidance plan. The amendment also removes language that requires the commission to submit the plan to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over conservation matters for its approval and that provides that if the committee approves the plan then it must be submitted for the Legislature's approval and, if the Legislature approves, to the Governor. It requires the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to hold public hearings when developing a comprehensive land use plan. It directs the commission to submit a draft

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of the comprehensive land use plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry along with specific information on the development of the plan no later than December 3, 2007 or a minimum of 30 days prior to a vote by the commission on final adoption of the plan.

Senate Amendment "B" (S-137)

Senate Amendment "B" clarifies the original intent of Committee Amendment "A." It clarifies the process and timing of the presentation of the comprehensive land use plan developed by the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. It requires the commission to present the final draft to the committee at least 30 days prior to a scheduled vote by the commission on adoption of the plan. If the final draft is not completed before December 3, 2007, the commission must present the most recent revision of the plan to the committee by that date.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 264 requires the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to hold public hearings when developing a comprehensive land use plan. It requires the commission to present the final draft to the committee at least 30 days prior to a scheduled vote by the commission on adoption of the plan. If the final draft is not completed before December 3, 2007, the commission must present the most recent revision of the plan to the committee by that date.

LD 473 An Act To Clarify Land Use Regulation in Unorganized and Deorganized Townships ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MILLS P	ONTP	

LD 473 clarifies the purpose of land use regulation in the unorganized and deorganized townships of the State by confirming that such regulation is for the benefit of property owners and residents of these areas, as well as the public benefit. The bill also provides a legislative acknowledgment that these areas are important to the continued vitality of the State and to local economies by promoting forest management and agricultural activities.

LD 516 An Act To Make More Affordable the Surcharge on the Sale of Dogs and Cats That Have Not Been Neutered ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SNOWE-MELLO	ONTP	

LD 516 reduces the surcharge collected by pet shops on each dog or cat sold that has not been neutered from \$25 to \$5.

LD 548 An Act To Prevent Abuse of Pet Ownership Rights ONTP

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

LD 548 allows the owner of a cat or dog to shoot that cat or dog only if it is done to protect the safety of the public or to end the severely injured or ill cat or dog's suffering.

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LD 564 Resolve, To Streamline the Regulation of Agricultural Composters

RESOLVE 139

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
NUTTING J	OTP-AM	S-357

LD 564 requires commercial agricultural composting operations to register with the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources. The bill requires the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to adopt rules for the regulation of commercial agricultural composting operations. The bill also requires the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to submit a written report to the Commissioner of Environmental Protection if a violation of the laws administered by the Department of Environmental Protection is believed to have occurred because of a failure to implement prescribed best management practices.

Committee Amendment "B" (S-357)

The committee amendment changes the bill to a resolve directing the Commissioner of Environmental Protection and the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to take certain steps regarding oversight of agricultural composting operations. The commissioners are directed to report back to both the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources. The Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry is authorized to submit legislation pertaining to agricultural composting operations during the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 139 directs the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to revise the department's rules pertaining to the licensing of agricultural composting operations as waste management facilities. The Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources is directed to develop components to be included in a compost management plan. The commissioners are directed to consult with one another as they proceed with these directives and are required to report back to both the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources. The Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry is authorized to submit legislation pertaining to agricultural composting operations during the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

LD 598 Resolve, To Allow Municipalities To Purchase Burn Permit Software

ONTP

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

LD 598 directs the Department of Conservation, Maine Forest Service to allow municipalities to purchase and use burn permit software from a private party if all statutory requirements of issuing burn permits are met by the software.

LD 629 Resolve, To Create the Sebago Lake Village State Park

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRESSEY SNOWE-MELLO	ONTP	

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LD 629 directs the Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands to purchase the boat ramp on Sebago Lake in the Town of Standish and 3 acres of Portland Water District property surrounding the boat ramp to establish the Sebago Lake Village State Park. The State will pay the Town of Standish fair market value for the property acquired from the town for the park and the Portland Water District for the value of the property acquired from the district at the value of the property as determined by the tax assessed under the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law. This resolve directs the Bureau of Parks and Lands to improve the boat ramp in its existing location and create parking for 100 motor vehicles and boat trailers.

LD 680 An Act To Increase Funding for the Spaying and Neutering of Companion Animals

CARRIED OVER

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
NUTTING J		S-103

LD 680 changes the way the fees collected from the registration of pet food and commercial feed is distributed. Currently, 1/2 of the fees collected go to the General Fund and the other 1/2 goes to the Animal Welfare Fund. This bill directs the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to deposit 1/4 of the fees collected in the General Fund, 1/4 of the fees collected in the Companion Animal Sterilization Fund and 1/2 of the fees collected in the Animal Welfare Fund. This bill also adds language indicating that funds deposited in the Companion Animal Sterilization Fund also come from funds from the registration of pet food and commercial feed pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 7, section 714, subsection 2.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-103)

Committee Amendment "A" is the majority report. It incorporates a fiscal note.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 123rd Legislature by Joint Order, H.P. 1369.

LD 695 An Act Concerning Applications Processed by the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission

**PUBLIC 114
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUCHESNE BRYANT B	OTP-AM	H-95

LD 695 amends the permit application fees set by rule by the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to remove the limits regarding subdivision applications and zoning petitions.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-95)

The committee amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 114 removes the statutory limits on permit fees for subdivision applications and zoning petitions, allowing the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to prescribe a wider range of fees through rulemaking.

Public Law 2007, chapter 114 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 14, 2007.

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**LD 705 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 329:
Rules Governing Milk and Milk Products, a Major Substantive Rule of
the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources**

**RESOLVE 8
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

OTP

LD 705 provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 329: Rules Governing Milk and Milk Products, a major substantive rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 8 authorizes final adoption of portions of Chapter 329: Rules Governing Milk and Milk Products, a major substantive rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources.

Resolve 2007, chapter 8 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 12, 2007.

**LD 717 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 1:
General Provisions and Chapter 10: Land Use Districts and Standards,
Major Substantive Rules of the Maine Land Use Regulation
Commission**

**RESOLVE 19
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

OTP-AM

H-120

LD 717 provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 1, General Provisions and Chapter 10, Land Use Districts and Standards, major substantive rules of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-120)

The committee amendment authorizes final adoption of the rule provided certain revisions are made.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 19 authorizes final adoption of the rule provided revisions are made that:

1. Clarify that for utility lines, roads, land management roads and mineral or peat extraction, only the portion of the project or the additional length or acreage that triggers permit review is subject to the fee calculation;
2. Remove the provision requiring a permit applicant to pay actual costs incurred for a public hearing and
3. Authorize the Director of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission to require a petitioner to pay the cost of a public hearing when the petition is for a district boundary change for the purpose of a subdivision or a commercial development.

Resolve 2007, chapter 19 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 14, 2007.

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LD 758 An Act To Protect Household Pets and Other Animals from Poisoning

PUBLIC 336

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CAIN	OTP-AM	H-399

LD 758 requires that engine coolant or antifreeze that contains more than 10% ethylene glycol or propylene glycol must include an aversive agent that makes it taste bitter so that it is rendered unpalatable. This measure reduces the risk of poisoning of household pets and other animals.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-399)

The committee amendment reallocates the provisions requiring engine coolants containing more than 10% ethylene glycol to contain a bittering agent to the statutes administered by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources. It removes the requirement in the bill that engine coolant or antifreeze containing more than 10% propylene glycol must include an aversive agent. It adds a limitation on liability for damage to the environment or natural resources or economic loss that results from the inclusion of an aversive agent. It delays the effective date until one year after 3 other northeastern states have enacted similar legislation.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter requires that engine coolant or antifreeze containing more than 10% propylene glycol include a bittering or aversive agent and provides limitations on liability for damage to the environment or natural resources or economic loss that results from the inclusion of an aversive agent. These provisions do not become effective until one year after 3 other northeastern states have enacted similar legislation.

LD 767 Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Revenue Services To Make Information Available Concerning the Amount of Revenue Received from the Companion Animal Sterilization Fund Tax Return Checkoff

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SNOWE-MELLO	ONTP	

LD 767 directs the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Revenue Services to make available the amount of revenue received from the tax return checkoff for the Companion Animal Sterilization Fund and to post the amount on the bureau's publicly accessible website.

LD 852 An Act To Adjust the Levels of the State's Dairy Stabilization Program

**PUBLIC 262
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MILLS P	OTP-AM MAJ OTP-AM MIN	S-139

LD 852 prohibits a retail store from selling milk for a price that exceeds by 10% the minimum retail price established for payment by consumers by the Maine Milk Commission. The bill exempts sales of organic milk and sales to consumers by producer-dealers from the prohibition on excessive retail pricing. The bill also amends the definition of "target price" as that term is used in the dairy stabilization support statutes to include interest and depreciation on machinery and equipment.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-139)

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Committee Amendment "A" is the majority report. It removes the sections of the bill relating to retail pricing of milk. It removes proposed changes to the definition of "target price," authorizes the Maine Milk Commission to establish and amend target prices through major substantive rulemaking and, beginning July 1, 2007, establishes interim target prices that may be changed through adoption of major substantive rules.

Committee Amendment "B" (S-140)

Committee Amendment "B" is the minority report. It changes the threshold for determining excessive retail pricing to 275% of the basic price of milk that is received by farmers, instead of the 10% above the minimum retail price. The prohibition on excessive pricing applies to retail stores meeting the definition of "supermarket." It makes the same changes to the establishment of target prices as in the majority report. The minority report was not accepted.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 262 authorizes the Maine Milk Commission to establish and amend target prices through major substantive rulemaking and establishes interim target prices, beginning July 1, 2007, that may be changed through adoption of major substantive rules. Identical provisions regarding target prices were included in Part 000 of the biennial budget enacted as Public Law, 2007, chapter 240.

Public Law 2007, chapter 262 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 8, 2007.

LD 861 An Act To Require a Commercial Applicator's License To Use Pesticides in Licensed Food and Eating Establishments

PUBLIC 245

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAVIELLO	OTP-AM MAJ ONTP MIN	H-318

LD 861 requires a person applying pesticides anywhere in a food-handling establishment to have a commercial applicator license.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-318)

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The minority report is Ought Not To Pass.

It clarifies that only food establishments and eating establishments required to be licensed are being required to use a commercial applicator for pesticides in nonpublic areas. It uses existing statutory definitions for "food establishment" and "eating establishment." It clarifies that the State Board of Pesticides Control's rules to provide exemptions or reduced licensing requirements for certain applications are routine technical rules. It directs the departments with licensing authority and inspection responsibilities for food establishments and eating establishments to amend their rules to reflect these changes.

It provides an exception to the requirement that pesticides be applied by a commercial applicator when the licensed establishment is ancillary to an agricultural business, the owner or an employee of the establishment is certified as a private applicator and the pesticides are not being applied in an area open to the public.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 245 requires licensed food establishments and eating establishments to use a commercial applicator for applying pesticides in nonpublic areas as well as public areas. The State Board of Pesticides Control can provide exemptions or reduced licensing requirements for certain applications through rulemaking. It provides an exception to the requirement that pesticides be applied by a commercial applicator when the licensed establishment is ancillary to an agricultural business, the owner or an employee of the establishment is certified as a private applicator and the pesticides are not being applied in an area open to the

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public.

**LD 875 An Act To Continue the Protection of Marine Waters and Organisms
from the Risks Posed by the Applications of Pesticides**

**PUBLIC 50
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP-AM	H-46 PIEH

LD 875 extends the repeal date on statutory provisions relating to pesticides applications to control browntail moths by one year to March 31, 2008. In addition it amends the provisions to:

1. Allow application of pesticides by air-assisted sprayers to control browntail moths in the area between 50 and 250 feet of the mean high water mark;
2. Allow pesticides applications only when the wind is equal to or greater than 2 miles per hour and blowing away from marine waters;
3. Add applications by licensed commercial applicators using nonpowered equipment to other applications exempted from the restrictions and prohibitions in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 1445;
4. Add Lincoln County to the area to which the restrictions apply;
5. Require the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, Board of Pesticides Control to continue monitoring of allowed spray applications and direct the board to work with the Department of Marine Resources on sampling and analysis of marine water and sediment; and
6. Require the Board of Pesticides Control to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry by January 2, 2008.

House Amendment "A" (H-46)

This amendment enacts the restrictions on pesticide applications for browntail moths that were repealed on March 31, 2007 with the substantive changes proposed by LD 875 as amended by Committee Amendment "A" . LD 875 as amended by Committee Amendment "A" was not enacted prior to March 31, 2007. Therefore, it was necessary to enact revised provisions rather than amending the provisions existing prior to March 31, 2007.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 50 enacts a revised version of provisions originally enacted as Public Law 2005, chapter 50 establishing buffers and restrictions on the application of pesticides to control browntail moths in coastal areas of Cumberland, Lincoln, Sagadahoc and York Counties. These provisions are repealed on March 31, 2008. The Board of

Pesticides Control is required to monitor applications of pesticides using air-assisted sprayers in these areas and to report its findings and recommendations regarding air-assisted spraying to the Joint standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources by January 2, 2008.

Public Law 2007, chapter 50 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 12, 2007.

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LD 876 Resolve, To Study Maine's Agricultural Creative Economy Sector

RESOLVE 13

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PIEH	OTP-AM	H-68

LD 876 directs the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, the Department of Labor, the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Department of Conservation to collaborate on a study of the creative, rural agricultural value-added sector of the State's economy. It directs the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to submit a report on the study to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature along with any recommended legislation no later than December 5, 2007.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-68)

This amendment makes technical changes to the resolve and specifies that the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources submit its report to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development and implementing legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 13 directs the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, the Department of Labor, the Department of Economic and Community Development and the Department of Conservation to collaborate on a study of the value-added agricultural creative economy sector of the State's economy. The departments are directed to consider the economic impact of expanding and diversifying agricultural businesses, barriers to small-scale food production, creation of a cabinet level advisory board to develop strategies for economic development in agriculture, and the need for funding and positions to nurture the agricultural creative economy.

The Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources is required to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry and the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development and implementing legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature by December 5, 2007.

LD 923 An Act To Prohibit the Surgical Removal of Vocal Cords in Dogs

ONTP

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

LD 923 prohibits the removal of a dog's vocal cords for nonmedical reasons.

LD 924 An Act To Preserve Agricultural Fairs in Rural Maine

**PUBLIC 183
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LUNDEEN	OTP-AM	H-227

LD 924 enables agricultural fairs that held extended harness racing meets in 1998 to share in the revenues generated by the racino. This bill also corrects a conflict created by Public Law 2005, chapters 563 and 576,

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which affected the same provision of law.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-227)

This amendment enables agricultural fairs that held extended harness racing meets in 1998 to share in the revenues generated by the racino until the end of 2009. At that point eligibility to share in revenue reverts to agricultural fairs that held extended harness racing meets in 2005. This amendment also adds a retroactivity clause to the bill.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 183 enables agricultural fairs that held extended harness racing meets in 1998 to share in the revenues generated by the racino until the end of 2009. At that point eligibility to share in revenue reverts to agricultural fairs that held extended harness racing meets in 2005.

Public Law 2007, chapter 183 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 29, 2007.

**LD 965 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 328:
Rules Governing the Licensing and Inspection of Farm Cheese, a Major
Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural
Resources**

**RESOLVE 9
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

OTP

LD 965 provides for legislative review of the repeal of portions of Chapter 328: Rules Governing the Licensing and Inspection of Farm Cheese, a major substantive rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 9 authorizes the repeal of portions of Chapter 328: Rules Governing the Licensing and Inspection of Farm Cheese, a major substantive rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources.

Resolve 2007, chapter 9 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 17, 2007.

LD 971 An Act To Amend Certain Animal Health Laws

PUBLIC 128

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

PIEH

OTP-AM

H-80

LD 971 adds fertile avian eggs to the list of imported animals requiring importation permits.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-80)

This amendment defines the term "avian hatching egg" and uses that term in place of "fertile avian egg."

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 128 adds avian hatching eggs to the list of imported animals requiring importation permits.

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LD 978 An Act To Amend the Process for Making Certain Changes to State-owned Land

INDEF PP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON		

LD 978 requires legislative approval, including a public hearing, before a building is significantly altered, access to a body of water is altered or closed or a road is closed or altered on designated lands by an agency of State Government.

LD 983 An Act To More Clearly Define Maple Syrup

**PUBLIC 24
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PIOTTI	OTP-AM	H-39

LD 983 amends the definition of maple syrup, to match the defined grades of maple syrup more closely. It also provides for a product marketed under the alternative spelling of "sirup" to be regulated.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-39)

This amendment revises the definition of "maple syrup" proposed in the bill. The amendment also makes the bill an emergency, so that the revised definition will be in effect for and apply to maple syrup marketed in 2007.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 24 revises the definition of "maple syrup" to more closely match the defined grades of syrup.

Public Law 2007, chapter 24 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 2, 2007.

LD 1034 Resolve, To Preserve the Saco River

RESOLVE 67

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MUSE HASTINGS	OTP-AM	H-357

LD 1034 directs the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to develop a plan for consistent management of recreation on the Saco River from the New Hampshire border to Hiram Dam. The Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands is required to report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over public lands no later than December 15, 2007. The Commissioner of Conservation is directed to submit any legislation necessary to implement the report's recommendations.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-357)

This amendment removes the emergency preamble and emergency clause. It requires the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to develop options for consistent management of recreation on the Saco River but does not require the director to finalize a plan by December 15, 2007. The amendment adds woodlot owners and farmers to the list of interests represented on the working group convened by the director.

Enacted Law Summary

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Resolve 2007, chapter 67 requires the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to develop options for consistent management of recreation on the Saco River from the New Hampshire border to Hiram Dam. The Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands is required to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry no later than December 15, 2007 on these options and to recommend funding sources for management of the river.

LD 1070 An Act To Create the Maine Agriculture in the Classroom Council

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PIEH SHERMAN	ONTP	

LD 1070 establishes the Maine Agriculture in the Classroom Council. The council is not an agency of the State but has certain powers and duties conferred on it for the public purpose of promoting an understanding of agriculture. The provisions proposed in this bill were incorporated in the Committee Amendment to LD 986 An Act To Establish an Agriculture Education Registration Plate. See bill summaries for the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation.

LD 1073 Resolve, To Study the Promotion, Expansion and Regulation of the Harness Racing Industry

**RESOLVE 128
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MAREAN SAVAGE C	OTP-AM	H-317

LD 1073 establishes the Commission To Study the Promotion, Expansion and Regulation of the Harness Racing Industry. The commission is to study the best way to expand racing opportunities for Maine horsemen and Maine-owned horses, including an orderly expansion of race dates and venues and how to better fund the State Harness Racing Commission in a way that serves the horse racing industry and the public. The commission will review rules and regulations and issues such as drug testing to ensure the integrity of the sport. In addition, the commission is directed to explore ways to promote public interest and participation in harness racing.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-317)

This amendment adds 2 additional members of the House of Representatives to the Commission To Study the Promotion, Expansion and Regulation of the Harness Racing Industry. It removes the chair of the State Harness Racing Commission as a member and adds a member representing commercial tracks. It makes other changes to conform to Joint Rule 353 regarding legislative study commissions.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 128 establishes the Commission To Study the Promotion, Expansion and Regulation of the Harness Racing Industry to study ways to expand racing opportunities for Maine horsemen and Maine-owned horses, and funding sources for the State Harness Racing Commission. The commission is directed to review regulations and examine issues such as drug testing to ensure the integrity of the sport. The commission is required to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry no later than December 5, 2007. The report must include the commission's findings and recommendations and any suggested legislation to implement the recommendations. The Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry is authorized to introduce legislation relating to the Harness Racing Industry to the 2nd Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

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Resolve 2007, chapter 128 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 27, 2007.

LD 1074 An Act To Amend the Maine Commercial Fertilizer Law

PUBLIC 147

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LUNDEEN SHERMAN	OTP-AM	H-166

LD 1074 amends the Maine Commercial Fertilizer Law to conform to national standards, increases the civil penalties for civil violations and creates a system of restitution for payments to growers who do not receive the correct fertilizer formulation.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-166)

This amendment makes technical changes to the bill to clarify the process for making assessments to consumers when analysis of fertilizers indicate there is a deficiency in one or more nutrients. It also provides for assessments received by the commissioner to be deposited in a dedicated account and used to pay costs for sampling and analyzing fertilizers.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 147 amends the Maine Commercial Fertilizer Law to conform to national standards, increases the civil penalties for civil violations and creates a system of restitution for payments to growers who do not receive the correct fertilizer formulation. Assessments for deficiencies in fertilizers are deposited in a dedicated account and used to pay costs for sampling and analyzing fertilizers.

LD 1075 Resolve, To Assist Maine Local Land Trusts

RESOLVE 108

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ADAMS	OTP-AM	H-452

LD 1075 establishes the Maine Local Land Trust Fund to be administered by the Land for Maine's Future Board. Five percent of abandoned beverage container deposits are the source of funding for this grant program. Local land trusts may receive up to 60% in matching funds for eligible land acquisition projects.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-452)

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve directing the State Planning Office, in consultation with the Department of Conservation and the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, to compile and make available to local land trusts information on funding sources. It authorizes the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 108 directs the State Planning Office, in consultation with the Department of Conservation and the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, to compile and make available to local land trusts information on funding sources. It authorizes the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to submit legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

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LD 1157 Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources To Establish Rules Concerning Certified Organic Seed

ONTP

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

LD 1157 requires the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to establish rules for the registration and verification of seed labeled or sold as organic or grown as a crop to be certified as organic to ensure that the seed is free of genetically engineered materials. Rules established pursuant to this resolve are major substantive rules.

LD 1185 An Act To Protect Dogs Tied Outside

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PENDLETON ROTUNDO	ONTP	

LD 1185 amends the animal welfare laws to:

1. Prohibit the tethering, confining or restraining of a dog in a manner that causes pain, injury or entanglement;
2. Impose restrictions on the tethering of dogs of dogs and require that adequate shelter is provided.
3. Permit a state veterinarian, humane agent, animal control officer or law enforcement officer to issue a notice to comply or a correction warning to any owner or keeper who fails to comply with the animal welfare laws. If the violation endangers the health and safety of the dog or if the dog has been wounded as a result of the violation or if a prior warning has been issued, then the state veterinarian, humane agent, animal control officer or law enforcement officer shall proceed under the criminal provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17, section 1021.

LD 1293 An Act To Enhance Protection against Rabies in Wolf Hybrids

PUBLIC 133

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MILLER	OTP-AM	H-141

LD 1293 clarifies that the primary responsibility for enforcement of statutory and regulatory provisions governing rabies protection in wolf hybrids rests with municipal animal control officers. It also clarifies that it is the responsibility of the municipal animal control officer, a local health officer or a law enforcement officer to euthanize for testing any wolf hybrid exposed to the rabies virus.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-141)

This amendment clarifies that the provisions for removing or euthanizing an undomesticated animal or wolf hybrid suspected of having rabies apply when the animal has bitten someone or the animal may have otherwise exposed a person or domestic animal to rabies.

Enacted Law Summary

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Public Law 2007, chapter 133 clarifies that the primary responsibility for enforcement of statutory and regulatory provisions governing rabies protection in wolf hybrids rests with municipal animal control officers. It also clarifies that the provisions for removing or euthanizing an undomesticated animal or wolf hybrid suspected of having rabies apply when the animal has bitten someone or the animal may have otherwise exposed a person or domestic animal to rabies.

LD 1296 An Act To Amend Certain Harness Racing Laws

**PUBLIC 244
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MAREAN	OTP-AM	H-320 PIEH

LD 1296 designates the crimes of drugging a horse and prearranging the results of any harness race as Class C crimes.

House Amendment "A" (H-320)

This amendment makes the bill an emergency, expands a headnote and clarifies a term.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 244 designates the crimes of drugging a horse and prearranging the results of any harness race as Class C crimes.

Public Law 2007, chapter 244 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 7, 2007.

LD 1350 Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands To Convey Interests of the State in Land in Lincolnville

ONTP

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

LD 1350 authorizes the transfer of certain public lands to the Town of Lincolnville.

LD 1408 An Act Concerning Harness Racing Association Funding

**PUBLIC 211
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MAREAN	OTP-AM	H-243

LD 1408 authorizes the payment of up to 3% of funds designated for supplementing purses to be used to support a statewide association of horsemen authorized to negotiate on its members behalf.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-243)

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and clause and a retroactivity clause to the bill.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 211 authorizes the payment of up to 3% of funds designated for supplementing purses to be used to support a statewide association of horsemen authorized to negotiate on its members behalf.

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Public Law 2007, chapter 211 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 4, 2007.

LD 1419 An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Allagash Wilderness Waterway Working Group

**PUBLIC 146
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MARTIN	OTP-AM	S-60

LD 1419 establishes an independent advisory council to represent the public interest in the Allagash Wilderness Waterway and to provide counsel to the manager of the waterway and the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation. The bill elevates the status of the waterway in the department by making it a separate region within the bureau. It creates an endowment fund to support capital acquisitions and improvements, historic, cultural and educational programs and facilities. The bill requires an annual report by the Commissioner of Conservation to the Legislature.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-60)

This amendment requires the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to create technical committees as needed to advance the Allagash Wilderness Waterway's purposes. It specifies March 1st as the date by which the annual report on the Allagash Wilderness Waterway must be submitted to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over conservation matters. It specifies that funds may not be accepted for deposit in the endowment fund with any encumbrances or stipulations by the donor on how those funds may be used.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 146 establishes an independent advisory council to represent the public interest in the Allagash Wilderness Waterway and to provide counsel to the manager of the waterway and the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation. It creates an endowment fund to support capital acquisitions and improvements, historic, cultural and educational programs and facilities. It requires an annual report be submitted to the joint standing committee having jurisdiction over conservation matters by March 1st.

Public Law 2007, chapter 146 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 21, 2007.

LD 1447 Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources To Study Invasive Terrestrial Plant Species

RESOLVE 21

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FLOOD MCCORMICK	OTP-AM	H-91

LD 1447 directs the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to convene a stakeholder group to develop processes and criteria to assess the danger posed to naturally occurring ecosystems by invasive terrestrial plant species and to determine which invasive plant species are of significant concern. The resolve directs the commissioner to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry by February 8, 2008. The committee is authorized to submit legislation to the 2nd Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-91)

This amendment clarifies that the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources is being directed to determine if some form of restriction on trade of plants identified as "invasive terrestrial plants" is warranted.

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Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 21 requires the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to convene a stakeholder group to develop processes and criteria to assess the danger posed to naturally occurring ecosystems by invasive terrestrial plant species and to determine if restriction on trade is warranted for any of the species identified as invasive terrestrial plants. The commissioner is required to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry by February 8, 2008. The committee is authorized to submit legislation to the 2nd Regular Session of the 123rd Legislature.

LD 1468 An Act To Adjust the Milk Handling Fee

**PUBLIC 269
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PIOTTI	OTP-AM	H-306

LD 1468 increases the maximum rate of the milk handling fee from 12¢ to 36¢ per gallon.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-306)

This amendment makes revisions to the rate schedule proposed in the bill. The bill proposed a minimum handling fee of 6 cents per gallon. The amendment proposes that a handling fee of 2¢ be initiated when the basic price of milk drops below \$24 per hundredweight. The bill proposed a handling fee of 36¢ when the basic price of milk dropped below \$16 per hundredweight. The amendment proposes a handling fee of 36¢ a gallon when the basic price of milk is between \$15 and \$15.49 per hundredweight. The handling fee would increase by 6¢ per gallon for every 50¢ decrease in the basic price of milk below \$15 per hundredweight. This amendment also makes the bill an emergency measure.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 269 revises the rate schedule for the milk handling fee. A handling fee of 2¢ is initiated when the basic price of milk drops below \$24 per hundredweight. A handling fee of 36¢ a gallon is imposed when the basic price of milk is between \$15 and \$15.49 per hundredweight. The handling fee increases by 6¢ per gallon for every 50¢ decrease in the basic price of milk below \$15 per hundredweight. Identical revisions to the milk handling fee were included in Part PPP of the biennial budget enacted as Public Law 2007, chapter 240.

Public Law 2007, chapter 269 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 4, 2007.

LD 1615 An Act To Amend the Animal Welfare Laws

PUBLIC 439

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PIEH	OTP-AM	H-567 S-373 ROTUNDO

LD 1615 amends many statutes relating to the administration and enforcement of laws pertaining to animal welfare and animal control. The bill also includes provisions to establishes 56 days as the minimum age that a dog or cat may be sold, adopted or given away and to require that animal shelters and rescue groups spay or neuter any dog or cat prior to adoption or make formal arrangements for the altering of the animal within 30 days of adoption.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-567)

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This amendment:

1. Requires rabies vaccinations for wolf hybrids and clarifies that vaccination does not alter treatment of a wolf hybrid when it is suspected of having rabies;
2. Increases the dog license fee by \$1 only for dogs capable of producing young. The bill proposes a \$1 increase for all dog licenses;
3. Strengthens the sheltering requirements for a dog left outdoors in adverse weather;
4. Requires a vendor's license to sell or offer for sale more than one dog or cat in a 12-month period and requires advertising to provide the vendor's license number; and
5. Adds to the aggravated cruelty to animals statutes, making the shooting of a dog or cat by the owner or the owner's agent a Class C crime when the shooting does not conform to statutory conditions for an exception.

This amendment makes technical changes to, corrections to and clarifies certain provisions in the bill. It also removes several sections from the bill, including proposed changes to the definition of "dog" to exclude wolf hybrids from the definition and proposed changes to the provisions for employees of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources serving civil process.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-373)

This amendment removes the provisions amending the aggravated cruelty to animals statute that established new Class C and D crimes.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 439 establishes advanced training requirements for animal control officers and prohibits the appointment of persons who have been convicted of certain crimes from serving as humane agents or animal control officers. It also prohibits the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources from issuing a boarding kennel, breeding kennel or pet shop license to a person convicted of certain crimes.

It extends to 48 hours the holding period at animal shelters for stray and feral cats and increases payment to shelters holding animals pending a court hearing.

It increases the dog license fee by \$1.00 for dogs capable of producing young and provides for a tag to be issued annually with a dog license. It requires rabies vaccinations for wolf hybrids and clarifies that vaccination does not alter treatment of a wolf hybrid when it is suspected of having rabies.

It requires boarding kennels and pet stores to insert their state license number in any advertising they use. It prohibits a pet dealer from contractually exempting the pet dealer from the remedies provided for deaths or health problems caused by disease.

It establishes 56 days as the minimum age that a dog or cat may be sold, adopted or given away. It requires that animal shelters and rescue groups spay or neuter a dog or cat prior to adoption or make formal arrangements for the altering of the animal within 30 days of adoption.

Unless selling under a facility license, a vendor's license is required to sell or offer for sale more than one dog or cat in a 12-month period. The vendor's license number must be included in advertisements.

It strengthens the shelter requirements for a dog left outdoors in adverse weather and amends the animal trespass laws to require immediate removal of an animal if public safety is threatened.

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LD 1650 An Act To Amend the Laws Concerning Genetically Engineered Plants and Seeds

CARRIED OVER

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SCHATZ		

LD 1650 amends the definition of "genetically engineered" and "seed dealer" and defines "technology use agreement." The bill requires the manufacturer of a genetically engineered plant part, seed or plant sold in the State to report annually to the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources the total potential amount of acreage of genetically modified crops grown from that plant part, seed or plant in the State. It provides for a process by which a manufacturer of a genetically engineered plant part, seed or plant may investigate a violation of a technology use agreement and the rights of a farmer during an investigation.

It creates a right of action as and damages for a private nuisance against a manufacturer of a genetically engineered plant part, seed or plant that cross-contaminates a person's land and limits the liability of knowing and unknowing users and possessors of a genetically engineered plant part, seed or plant.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 123rd Legislature by Joint Order, H.P. 1369.

LD 1668 An Act To Create a Saco River Preservation Fund

ONTP

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

LD 1668 establishes a fee for a permit issued to allow a fire within the Saco River Corridor. It establishes the Saco River Preservation Fund and requires the Director of the Bureau of Forestry within the Department of Conservation to adopt rules to establish a process for reimbursing municipalities from the fund. Costs incurred in providing law enforcement, sanitation and emergency services within the Saco River Corridor are eligible for reimbursement from the fund along with costs to purchase equipment specifically to provide those services. See the bill summary for LD 1034 Resolve, To Preserve the Saco River.

LD 1673 An Act To Change the Registration Fees for Home-based Manufacturers of Pet Foods

PUBLIC 459

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DOW	OTP-AM	S-149

LD 1673 reduces annual pet food registration and surcharge fees for home-based manufacturers of pet food that produce 10 or fewer product names and that sell directly to consumers. The total annual registration fee is \$100 and the total annual surcharge is \$20.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-149)

This amendment enacts a definition of "home-based manufacturer of pet food" and makes changes in the bill to reflect the presence of the definition.

Enacted Law Summary

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Public Law 2007, chapter 459 reduces annual pet food registration and surcharge fees for home-based manufacturers of pet food that produce 10 or fewer product names and that sell directly to consumers. The total annual registration fee is \$100 and the total annual surcharge is \$20.

LD 1684 An Act To Create the Maine Agriculture Protection Act

CARRIED OVER

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHERMAN		

LD 1684 repeals the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17, section 2805, which provides protection from nuisance suits for farm operations that use best management practices. It revises the repealed provisions for inclusion in Title 7 under a chapter proposed for enactment as the Agriculture Protection Act in Title 7. The bill establishes incentives to conserve and protect agricultural land and enterprises and to further encourage agricultural development. The bill also allows the State to create agriculture protection areas to foster and strengthen agriculture development.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 123rd Legislature by Joint Order, H.P. 1369.

LD 1698 An Act To Provide for Public Notification of Indoor Pesticide Applications

ONTP

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

LD 1698 directs the Board of Pesticides Control to establish certain notice requirements for the application of pesticides in occupied buildings other than school buildings. The bill would void the Board of Pesticides Control's rules on this subject.

LD 1700 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 103: Board of Pesticides Control Regulatory Agenda, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources

ONTP

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

LD 1700 was inadvertently printed as a committee bill. See bill summary for LD 1891 for the correct bill pertaining to designation of major substantive rules.

LD 1713 Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources To Implement a Pilot Program To Preserve Agricultural Land

ONTP

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

LD 1713 directs the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to develop a pilot program to discourage commercial and residential development outside of growth areas established by municipalities and to encourage farmers to defer development of actively productive farmlands through the purchase of

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limited-term deed restrictions. It requires the department to implement a pilot program and the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry annually for the duration of the pilot project.

LD 1727 An Act To Require Veterinarians To Notify the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources of Rabies Vaccinations of Dogs

PUBLIC 119

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HILL	OTP-AM	H-121

LD 1727 requires a veterinarian who issues a certificate of rabies vaccination for a dog to forward within one month of issuing the certificate a copy of the certificate to the clerk of the municipality in which the owner resides or, if the owner resides in the unorganized territory, to the dog recorder in that unorganized territory or, in the absence of a duly authorized dog recorder, to a dog recorder in the nearest municipality or unorganized territory in the same county in which the owner resides.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-121)

This amendment requires a veterinarian to send a copy of dog rabies certificates to the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources instead of to municipal clerks. The department is charged with periodically distributing the certificates received to the appropriate municipal clerk or dog recorder. It requires the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to provide veterinarians with contact information.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 119 requires a veterinarian to send a copy of dog rabies certificates to the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources. The department is charged with periodically distributing the certificates received to the appropriate municipal clerk or dog recorder. It requires the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to notify veterinarians of the new law and to provide an e-mail address, mailing address and a Fax number for veterinarians to use for submitting copies of certificates to the department.

LD 1768 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 252: Rules Governing Certification of Seed Potatoes in the State of Maine and Chapter 255: Imported Seed Potatoes, Major Substantive Rules of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources

**RESOLVE 42
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP-AM	H-203

LD 1768 provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 252: Rules Governing Certification of Seed Potatoes in the State of Maine, a major substantive rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-203)

This amendment authorizes final adoption of portions of Chapter 255: Imported Seed Potatoes, a provisionally adopted rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources in addition to portions of Chapter 252.

Enacted Law Summary

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Resolve 2007, chapter 42 authorizes final adoption of portions of Chapter 255: Imported Seed Potatoes, a provisionally adopted rule of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources in addition to portions of Chapter 252.

Resolve 2007, chapter 42 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 29, 2007.

LD 1798 An Act To Fund Pesticide Education in the State

PUBLIC 302

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BLANCHARD	ONTP MAJ OTP-AM MIN	H-324

LD 1798 establishes the Maine Pesticide Education Fund. Money in the fund is to be distributed to the Integrated Pest Management Fund, the Board of Pesticides Control and the University of Maine Cooperative Extension for pest management education programs. A15¢ per container fee is imposed on the retail sale of pesticides for deposit in the fund.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-324)

This amendment is the minority report. It removes the proposed collection of a fee on consumer containers of pesticides as a funding source.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 302 establishes the Maine Pesticide Education Fund. Money in the fund is to be distributed to the Integrated Pest Management Fund, the Board of Pesticides Control and the University of Maine Cooperative Extension for pest management education programs. The fund is dependent on contributions from public and private sources.

LD 1891 An Act To Designate Certain Rules of the Board of Pesticides Control as Major Substantive Rules

PUBLIC 145
EMERGENCY

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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LD 1891 designates certain rules of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, Board of Pesticides Control as major substantive rules. This bill was a committee report of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 145 designates certain rules proposed for adoption by the Board of Pesticides Control after July 1, 2007 as major substantive rules. This designation applies to rules relating to:

1. Drift from outside spraying;
2. Notification requirements for outside spraying;
3. Pesticides applications in occupied buildings;
4. A notification registry for indoor applications of pesticides; and

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5. Buffers from shorelines for broadcast applications of pesticides.

Public Law 2007, chapter 145 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 21, 2007.

LD 1913 **Resolve, Authorizing the Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands To Convey Certain Lands**

RESOLVE 91

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PIEH	OTP-AM	H-520

LD 1913 allows the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to convey certain parcels of land and interest in certain lands owned by the State.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-520)

This amendment authorizes conveyance of a 2nd easement across a state-owned recreational trail to provide motor vehicle access within a residential subdivision in the Town of Jay. In the bill, the 2nd easement was restricted to aboveground and below ground utilities. This amendment also authorizes conveyance of approximately 4 acres of land on Upper Richardson Lake that is currently leased with the lessee owning the buildings on the property. The amendment stipulates that the conveyance is contingent on the property being transferred as one parcel with deed restrictions prohibiting future subdivision.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 91 allows the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to convey:

1. An easement for electric transmission lines across 2 state-owned parcels to TransCanada Maine Wind Development, Inc. The parcels are in Wyman Township abutting existing utility corridors and proximate to or abutting State Route 27 and the Appalachian Trail Corridor;
2. An easement for electric transmission lines across a state-owned parcel to Bangor Hydro-Electric Company. The parcel is in Bradley;
3. An easement for electric transmission lines across a state-owned parcel to Bangor Hydro-Electric Company. The parcel is in Township 21 in Washington County;
4. The remaining state interests in the Sandy Pond Dam to the Town of Freedom;
5. Trail crossing rights and access rights across the state-owned St. John Valley Heritage Trail in St. John Plantation;
6. Trail crossing rights across the St. John Valley Heritage Trail in the Town of St. Francis;
7. State-owned property adjacent to a state-owned abandoned rail corridor trail in the Town of Mapleton to allow a landowner to rebuild and expand following a fire;
8. Trail crossing rights to the Town of Jay for a town way across a state-owned recreational trail in the Town of Jay;
9. To Taylor Made Homes Inc. an easement across a state-owned recreational trail in Jay to provide motor vehicle access within a residential subdivision as well as an easement for utilities crossings.

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- 10. To the abutting landowner an easement across a state-owned access road to Bradbury Mountain State Park in the Town of Pownal;
- 11. State-owned property to the abutting landowner in the Town of Littleton, Aroostook County; and
- 12. Approximately 4 acres of land on Upper Richardson Lake to the current lessee owning the buildings on the property.

LD 1914 An Act To Extend the Time Allowed for Outcome-based Forestry

**PUBLIC 271
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
NUTTING J	OTP	

LD 1914 extends the time during which the laws governing outcome-based forestry are in effect. These laws are scheduled to be repealed July 1, 2007. This bill delays the repeal date until July 1, 2012. It removes the acreage limitations on outcome-based forestry agreements.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2007, chapter 271 extends the time during which the laws governing outcome-based forestry are in effect. until July 1, 2012 and removes the acreage limitations on outcome-based forestry agreements.

Public Law 2007, chapter 271 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 8, 2007.

LD 1930 Resolve, Authorizing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Convey Certain Lands

CARRIED OVER

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BRYANT B		

LD 1930 authorizes the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to sell 2 parcels of land in the Town of Kennebunk to Central Maine Power Company for appraised market value.

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