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FOREWORD

The History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents includes a summary of the Legislature's action on all legislative documents considered during the First Special and Second Regular Sessions of the 117th Legislature. The document is produced from information which is compiled by the Legislative Information Office throughout the legislative session and maintained on a computerized bill status system. Status information is available through designated public computer terminals located throughout the State House and by remote access on a subscription basis through the Legislature's Information Network (LINK). Weekly printed reports are also available on a subscription basis through the Clerk of the House.

The primary listing of legislative documents in this volume is organized by the joint standing committee to which bills were referred in the First Special and Second Regular Sessions. The following information is included for each legislative document:

- Legislative document number
- House or Senate paper number
- Sponsor and cosponsors
- Public hearing date
- Committee report
- Amendments adopted in the House and Senate
- Final disposition of the legislative document

A list of the Legislature's Joint Standing Committees and their jurisdictions follows this Foreword.

Following the listing by committee is a series of indexes which are designed to assist the user in finding the bill or subject needed. The **Table of Contents** includes a list of these indexes.

The **Subject Index** uses terms to describe the scope and topics of the bill and its amendments. Most bills are indexed under more than one subject, and cross references are designed to assist the user in finding the subject. Appropriations bills are indexed showing the part and section where the subject can be found within the legislative document. Other bills with a funding section are also indexed under the "Appropriations" heading. In cases where an amendment introduced a new topic, a subject entry appears for that topic whether or not the amendment is adopted. If an amendment deletes a topic from a bill, the subject is left in the index as part of the history of the bill; thus the Subject Index indexes all legislative documents in any form in which they have been considered.

The History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents is a summary report only and does not replace the official Senate and House journals or the actual legislative documents. If more detailed information about the status of bills or their contents is desired, please contact:

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Committee Subject Areas

Following is a brief description of topics generally referred to each committee:

Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. Agricultural marketing; animal welfare; food inspection; dairy industry; pesticides regulation; soil and water conservation; farmland preservation, harness racing, public access to lands, forest practices, fire control and forest management, marketing and utilization, Department of Conservation, including State parks, memorials and historic sites, public lands, coastal islands registry, LURC and geological surveying and mapping.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs. General fund budget, federal funds allocations; special revenue and block grant allocations, Rainy Day Fund, unappropriated surplus, bond issues, collective bargaining funding, review of revenue estimates, performance-based and zero based budgeting, general fiscal policy, financial evaluation of agencies of State government.

Banking and Insurance. Banking; insurance; credit; consumer protection; Uniform Consumer Credit Code, securities.

Business and Economic Development. Corporations, business practices (auto and fuel sales), professional and occupational licensing, retail pricing, franchising, advertising, returnable containers, real estate, insulation cigarettes, credit law (business related), telephone solicitation, consumer protection, Maine State Housing Authority, affordable housing, homelessness, manufactured housing, FAME, economic planning and development agencies, venture capital and trade programs, opportunity zones, import competition, product marketing, public services (transportation, airports), industrial energy, tourism, defense facility conversion.

Criminal Justice. Criminal law, law enforcement, Department of Public Safety, Criminal Justice Academy, victims' rights, corrections system, intensive supervision, probation and parole, county jails, adult and juvenile corrections, community corrections, Criminal Justice Commission, Department of Corrections, OUI, fire safety and arson, firearms, private investigators, security guards, and the sale and furnishing of cigarettes to minors.

Education and Cultural Affairs. State Board and Department of Education; University of Maine System; Technical College System, elementary and secondary schools; teachers; vocational and special education; State Library and Museum; curriculum, including gifted and talented programs; school funding, including funding educational services at the Maine Youth Center.

Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; hunting, fishing, trapping, recreational and hunter safety; fisheries and wildlife research; fish hatcheries, wardens; licensing; ATVs, snowmobiles, boat registration, whitewater rafting.

Health and Human Services. Department of Human Services and Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation; public health and disease control; smoking, medical (hospitals, health care); social and rehabilitation services; substance abuse, mental health; public assistance; nursing and boarding homes, elderly and aging.

Judiciary. Courts; civil and property law; probate and domestic relations; trustees; attorneys; errors and inconsistencies in laws; judges; attorney general, Uniform Commercial Code, human rights, Indian land claims, child protection.

Labor. Wage and hour laws; employment security; job service; unemployment compensation; workers' compensation; labor relations; collective bargaining; workers' health and safety; job training, retirement eligibility, and benefits for state and municipal employees, including teachers, judicial and legislative retirement systems.

Legal and Veterans' Affairs. Claims against the state; liquor; lottery; gambling; games of chance (beano, fairs, raffles, machines); off track betting, nonprofit corporations; elections, campaign financing, voter registration, governmental ethics, lobbyist registration, landlord-tenant, veterans' programs, Department of Defense and Veterans' Services, National Guard.

Marine Resources. Department of Marine Resources; commercial marine fisheries management, licensing and enforcement, processing and sale of marine fish and shellfish; aquaculture; anadromous fish.

Natural Resources. Air and water quality, natural resource protection, site location, shoreland zoning and growth management, management and disposal of solid, hazardous, biomedical and special wastes, hydropower and dams, energy facility siting, waste to energy facilities mining, subdivisions and shoreland zoning, and general environmental policy, including oversight of the Department of Environmental Protection.

State and Local Government. State contracts and fiscal procedures, state government organization, oversight of state officials, personnel and property, administrative procedures, boards and commissions, Capitol area planning, constitutional amendments, county and regional government, Legislature, municipal and local government.

Taxation. Bureau of Taxation; taxes; tax exemptions and credits, Maine Residents Property Tax Program, property valuation and assessment, tax increment financing, municipal revenue sharing, unorganized territories and tree growth tax issues.

Transportation. Department of Transportation; Maine Turnpike Authority, Highway Fund, transportation policy, aeronautics; highway and bridge construction and maintenance; highway safety; waterways, railroads, motor vehicles.

Utilities and Energy. Public Utilities Commission; Public Advocate; regulated public utilities (electric, gas, water and telephone), telecommunications, cable TV, water, sewer and utility district charters, non-utility power generation (power purchase contracts), energy efficiency and conservation, alternate energy sources, nuclear power, energy policy, energy production and transmission.

Legislative Terms and Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are used in this book:

HPHouse Paper

SPSenate Paper

LDLegislative Document

OTPOught to Pass

OTP-AMOught to Pass as Amended

ONTPOught Not to Pass *

CC/CAConference Committee, Amendment A

P & S Laws . .Private and Special Laws

*** Note:**

The Joint Rules of the 117th Legislature provide that if a Committee unanimously votes "Ought Not to Pass" on any bill, there is no further consideration of the bill by the legislature. Once this vote has been taken, the committee notifies the presiding officers and the bill's sponsor and cosponsors, and this notification appears as a communication on both the Senate and House calendars. The bill is then placed in the legislative files.

First Special Session

November 28, 1995 - December 1, 1995

BILL ACTED UPON WITHOUT REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE

LD 1594 HP1160

An Act to Authorize Appropriations and Allocations for the 1996-1997 Biennium and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary for the Operation of State Government. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1153.) Engrossed Without Reference 11/29/95. House: Emergency Enacted 11/30/95, Adhere to Emergency Enactment 12/01/95; Senate: Emergency Enactment Failed 12/01/95. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 12/01/95.

LD 1595 HP1162

An Act to Increase the Number of Washington County Commissioners from 3 to 5. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by Representative BUNKER** of Kossuth Township; Cosponsored by Senator CASSIDY of Washington and Representatives: BAILEY of Township 27, DRISCOLL of Calais, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LOOK of Jonesboro. Engrossed Without Reference 11/29/95. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 11/30/95, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 501.

LD 1596 HP1163

An Act to Implement the Productivity Plan of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources Relating to the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Order, H.P. 1161.) **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 11/30/95.

LD 1598 SP0606

Resolve, to Amend Provisions of the Androscoggin County Budget Process. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by Senator CLEVELAND** of Androscoggin; Cosponsored by Representative: LEMAIRE of Lewiston. Engrossed Without Reference 11/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 12/07/95, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 58.

BILL ACTED UPON WITHOUT REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE (Cont.)

LD 1599 HP1166

An Act to Temporarily Reestablish Eligibility Standards for Low-Income Home Energy Assistance. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative GERRY of Auburn; Cosponsored by Representative WHITCOMB of Waldo and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, AHEARNE of Madawaska, BARTH of Bethel, BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BERRY of Livermore, BIRNEY of Paris, BRENNAN of Portland, CARLETON of Wells, CARR of Hermon, CHASE of China, CLUKEY of Houlton, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DAGGETT of Augusta, DAMREN of Belgrade, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DESMOND of Mapleton, DiPIETRO of South Portland, DORE of Auburn, DUNN of Gray, ETNIER of Harpswell, FARNUM of South Berwick, FISHER of Brewer, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GIERINGER of Portland, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HARTNETT of Freeport, KEANE of Old Town, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, LOVETT of Scarborough, LUMBRA of Bangor, LUTHER of Mexico, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, MERES of Norridgewock, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MITCHELL of Portland, MORRISON of Bangor, MURPHY of Berwick, NASS of Acton, NICKERSON of Turner, O'NEAL of Limestone, OTT of York, PEAVEY of Woolwich, PINKHAM of Lamoine, POVICH of Ellsworth, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, SAMSON of Jay, SAVAGE of Union, SAXL of Bangor, SAXL of Portland, SIROIS of Caribou, STONE of Bangor, STROUT of Corinth, TAYLOR of Cumberland, TOWNSEND of Portland, TREAT of Gardiner, TRUE of Fryeburg, TUTTLE of Sanford, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, VOLENIK of Sedgwick, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WHEELER of Bridgewater, WINGLASS of Auburn, WINN of Glenburn, Senators: BUSTIN of Kennebec, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, CLEVELAND of Androscoggin, ESTY of Cumberland, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, FERGUSON of Oxford, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, KIEFFER of Aroostook, LAWRENCE of York, McCORMICK of Kennebec, MICHAUD of Penobscot, MILLS of Somerset, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, PINGREE of Knox, RAND of Cumberland, RUHLIN of Penobscot, STEVENS of Androscoggin. Engrossed Without Reference 11/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 12/01/95, P & S LAWS, Chapter 51.

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

LD 1593 HP1159

An Act to Implement the Productivity Plan of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources Relating to the Animal Welfare Board, the Maine Dairy Promotion Board and the Maine Dairy and Nutrition Council. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1156.) **Final Disposition:** Carried Over, Pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1167 11/30/95.

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

LD 1589 HP1150

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Productivity Realization Task Force. (Submitted by the Governor pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 99, Part D.). **Several Public Hearings.** Majority OTP-AM Accepted 11/30/95. **Amended by:** CA H-657, HA/CA H-660, HB/CA H-663, HC/CA H-665, SE/CA S-410, SF/CA S-411, HC H-664, HE H-668, HF H-675, HG H-676. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 11/30/95, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 502.

LD 1590 HP1151

An Act to Correct an Error in the Hospital Assessment Program. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach; Cosponsored by Representatives: DiPIETRO of South Portland, MORRISON of Bangor, POULIOT of Lewiston, TOWNSEND of Portland, Senator: BERUBE of Androscoggin. No Public Hearing. OTP-AM Accepted 11/30/95. **Amended by:** CA H-679. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 12/01/95, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 503.

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

LD 1588 HP1149

An Act to Clarify the Referendum Recount Process. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative NADEAU of Saco; Cosponsored by Representatives: O'GARA of Westbrook, STROUT of Corinth, Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford. No Public Hearing. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 11/30/95. **Amended by:** CA H-669. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 12/07/95, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 506.

LD 1591 HP1157

An Act to Implement the Productivity Plan of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources Relating to Harness Racing. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Order, H.P. 1154) **Presented by** Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach. **Final Disposition:** Carried Over, Pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1167. 11/30/95.

MARINE RESOURCES

LD 1592 HP1158

An Act to Implement the Productivity Plan of the Department of Marine Resources. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Order, H.P. 1152.). No Public Hearing. OTP-AM Accepted 11/30/95. **Amended by:** CA H-670. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 12/07/95, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 507.

TAXATION

LD 1597 HP1164

An Act to Reduce the State Tax Valuation for the Town of Hope. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative SAVAGE of Union. **Final Disposition:** Carried Over, Pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1167 11/30/95.

TRANSPORTATION

LD 1301 SP0477

An Act to Transfer Oversight of Commercial Driver Education Programs to the Secretary of State. **Presented by** Senator PENDEXTER of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representatives: BAILEY of Township 27, STEDMAN of Hartland. **Public Hearing** 05/22/95. OTP-AM Accepted 06/27/95. **Amended by:** CA S-331, SA/CA S-414. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 12/07/95, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 505.

LD 1587 HP1148

An Act to Implement the Productivity Recommendations of the Department of Transportation and Make Adjustments to Highway Fund Allocations for Fiscal Years 1995-96 and 1996-97. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative O'GARA of Westbrook; Cosponsored by Senator: STEVENS of Androscoggin and Representatives: BAILEY of Township 27, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DAGGETT of Augusta, DAMREN of Belgrade, DRISCOLL of Calais, FARNUM of South Berwick, HEINO of Boothbay, MAYO of Bath, RICKER of Lewiston, STROUT of Corinth, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-671, SA S-416. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 12/01/95, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 504.

Second Regular Session
January 3, 1996 - April 4, 1996

BILLS ACTED UPON WITHOUT REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE

LD 1619 HP1180

An Act to Repeal the Sunset Provision for Distribution from the Maine Environmental Trust Fund. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation pursuant to Public Law 1993, chapter 410, Part BBB, section 6.) Engrossed Without Reference 01/11/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 01/29/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 508.

LD 1779 SP0698

An Act to Extend Certain Reporting Deadlines. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative: MITCHELL of Vassalboro. Engrossed Without Reference 02/13/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 02/14/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 509.

LD 1780 HP1297

Resolve, to Establish a Tuition Rate for the Town of Dennysville and to Review the Provision of Education Services in the Unorganized Territory. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 33.) Engrossed Without Reference 02/29/96. **Amended by:** HA H-716. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 03/12/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 61.

LD 1832 HP1338

An Act to Amend the Atlantic Salmon Authority. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative BAILEY of Township 27; Cosponsored by Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook and Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, JACQUES of Waterville, Senator: HALL of Piscataquis. Engrossed Without Reference 03/13/96. **Amended by:** SA S-466. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/13/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 535.

LD 1840 HP1345

Resolve, for Laying the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Piscataquis County for the Year 1996. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1290.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/14/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 03/28/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 66.

BILLS ACTED UPON WITHOUT REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE (Cont.)

LD 1841 HP1346

An Act to Distribute the Assets of the Maine Sardine Council to Council Members upon Dissolution of the Council by the Legislature. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1300.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/14/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 660.

LD 1845 HP1348

Resolve, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Penobscot County for the Year 1996. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1290.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/14/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 03/28/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 67.

LD 1851 HP1350

An Act to Clarify the Process for Referendum Recount. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 506, section 2.) House: Engrossed Without Reference 04/03/96, Insist on Engrossed Without Reference 04/03/96; Senate: Engrossed as Amended 04/03/96, Adhere to Engrossed as Amended 04/03/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/03/96.

LD 1855 SP0744

An Act to Limit the Liability of Employers for the Costs of Early Retirement Incentives. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 39.) **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 03/14/96.

LD 1856 SP0745

An Act to Clarify the Early Retirement Incentives Law. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 39.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/14/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/14/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 541.

BILLS ACTED UPON WITHOUT REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE (Cont.)

LD 1863 HP1358

An Act to Improve the Provisions of Mental Health Services to Patients Residing in the Community. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative LEMKE of Westbrook; Cosponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, AHEARNE of Madawaska, BAILEY of Township 27, BIRNEY of Paris, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, BUCK of Yarmouth, CAMERON of Rumford, CAMPBELL of Holden, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLARK of Millinocket, CLOUTIER of South Portland, DEXTER of Kingfield, FISHER of Brewer, GERRY of Auburn, GIERINGER of Portland, GOULD of Greenville, GREEN of Monmouth, GUERRETTE of Pittston, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HATCH of Skowhegan, HICHBORN of Lagrange, JACQUES of Waterville, KEANE of Old Town, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, LEMONT of Kittery, LIBBY of Buxton, LUMBRA of Bangor, MADORE of Augusta, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MORRISON of Bangor, MURPHY of Berwick, O'GARA of Westbrook, O'NEAL of Limestone, PERKINS of Penobscot, POULIN of Oakland, POULIOT of Lewiston, REED of Falmouth, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, SAXL of Bangor, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, SIROIS of Caribou, STROUT of Corinth, TRUE of Fryeburg, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, VIGUE of Winslow, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WINSOR of Norway, Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, CARPENTER of York, ESTY of Cumberland, FERGUSON of Oxford, LAWRENCE of York, LORD of York, PARADIS of Aroostook, RUHLIN of Penobscot, STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 03/30/96.

LD 1873 HP1363

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Productivity Realization Task Force and to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1996 and June 30, 1997. (Submitted by the Governor pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 99, Part D.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/21/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/25/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 560.

LD 1874 HP1365

An Act to Place Limited Rules on the Use of Personal Watercraft on Waters of the State. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative JACQUES of Waterville. House: Insist on Reference 03/22/96; Senate: Indefinite Postponement 03/21/96, Insist on Indefinite Postponement 03/22/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 03/26/96.

BILLS ACTED UPON WITHOUT REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE (Cont.)

LD 1875 HP1366

An Act Regarding the Food Stamp and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Human Resources pursuant to Private and Special Law 1995, chapter 51.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/25/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 629.

LD 1876 SP0764

An Act Concerning the Salmon Aquaculture Monitoring and Research Fund. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Order S.P. 737.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/26/96. **Amended by:** SA S-515. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 609.

LD 1877 SP0766

An Act to Amend the Laws Concerning Enhanced 9-1-1. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy pursuant to Public Law 1993, chapter 566, section 10.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/29/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 672.

LD 1878 HP1369

Resolve, to Amend the 1995 Kennebec County Budget. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative MADORE of Augusta. Engrossed Without Reference 03/26/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 04/08/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 77.

LD 1880 HP1372

An Act to Extend the Milk Handling Tax. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1339.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/28/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 661.

LD 1881 HP1373

Resolve, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Kennebec County for the Year 1996. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1290.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/28/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 04/10/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 82.

BILLS ACTED UPON WITHOUT REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE (Cont.)

LD 1883 HP1374

Resolve, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Androscoggin County for the Year 1996. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1290.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/29/96. **Amended by:** SA S-540. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 04/10/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 83.

LD 1884 SP0770

An Act to Reduce Costs for Municipalities. (Submitted by the Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Joint Order S.P. 767.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/28/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 664.

LD 1885 HP1377

An Act Regarding the State Government Computer System. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield. Engrossed Without Reference 03/29/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 703.

LD 1886 HP1378

An Act to Reduce the Notice and Hearing Requirements Imposed on Quasi-municipal Corporations and Districts. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative MURPHY of Berwick. Engrossed Without Reference 03/29/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 655.

LD 1887 HP1379

An Act to Revise the Salaries of Certain County Officers. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1290.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/30/96. **Amended by:** SA S-551. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 701.

LD 1888 HP1380

An Act Regarding the Maine Potato Board. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1368.) Engrossed Without Reference 03/30/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 702.

BILLS ACTED UPON WITHOUT REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE (Cont.)

LD 1889 SP0772

Resolve, to Validate the Reform Party Petition. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator LAWRENCE of York. Engrossed Without Reference 04/01/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 04/05/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 74.

LD 1890 HP1388

An Act Concerning the Maine Rainy Day Fund. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1386.) House: Engrossed as Amended by HA 04/03/96, Adhere to Engrossment 04/04/96; Senate: Engrossed as Amended by SB 04/04/96, Adhere to Engrossment 04/04/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/04/96.

LD 1891 HP1389

An Act to Clarify the Gambling Laws of Maine. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative BUCK of Yarmouth; Cosponsored by Representatives: CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLUKEY of Houlton, Senators: CLEVELAND of Androscoggin, MILLS of Somerset, STEVENS of Androscoggin. Engrossed Without Reference 04/04/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 674.

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

LD 1267 SP0471

An Act to Establish the Maine Outdoor Recreation Council. **Presented by** Senator O'DEA of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Senator: MICHAUD of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 05/02/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1404 HP0993

An Act to Amend the Law Regarding the Lease of Submerged Lands. **Presented by** Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset; Cosponsored by Representative GOULD of Greenville and Representatives: CHARTRAND of Rockland, DEXTER of Kingfield, DiPIETRO of South Portland, GATES of Rockport, HARTNETT of Freeport, HEINO of Boothbay, JOYCE of Biddeford, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, KONTOS of Windham, LEMONT of Kittery, MARSHALL of Eliot, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, OTT of York, PEAVEY of Woolwich, REED of Falmouth, RICE of South Bristol, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, SPEAR of Nobleboro, TYLER of Windham, WINGLASS of Auburn, Senators: BUTLAND of Cumberland, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, PINGREE of Knox, SMALL of Sagadahoc. **Public Hearing** 05/16/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/06/96. **Amended by:** CA H-728. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 666.

LD 1469 HP1050

Original Title: An Act to Reinstate the Maine Meat Inspection Act. **New Title:** Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to Research the Reinstatement of a State-operated Meat Inspection Program. **Presented by** Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset; Cosponsored by Representatives: HEESCHEN of Wilton, POVICH of Ellsworth, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, LONGLEY of Waldo. **Public Hearing** 05/23/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-749, SA/CA S-593. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 04/10/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 78.

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY (Cont.)

LD 1593 HP1159

An Act to Implement the Productivity Plan of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources Relating to the Animal Welfare Board, the Maine Dairy Promotion Board and the Maine Dairy and Nutrition Council. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1156.) Carried Over from the First Special Session 11/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/09/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA H-843, SA S-527. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 693.

LD 1686 SP0642

An Act to Remove the 50-foot Buffer Requirement When Cutting Trees. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator LORD of York; Cosponsored by Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, FERGUSON of Oxford, KIEFFER of Aroostook, Representatives: BIGL of Bucksport, DEXTER of Kingfield, GOOLEY of Farmington, GOULD of Greenville, POIRIER of Saco. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1691 SP0649

An Act to Amend the Law Allowing the Growth and Sale of Cultivated Ginseng in Maine. (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator CASSIDY of Washington; Cosponsored by Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset and Senators: LORD of York, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: DEXTER of Kingfield, HEESCHEN of Wilton, KNEELAND of Easton, SPEAR of Nobleboro. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/29/96. **Amended by:** CA S-434. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 556.

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY (Cont.)

LD 1712 HP1250

An Act to Increase the Municipal Share of Dog Licensing Fees. (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative STROUT of Corinth; Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BAILEY of Township 27, CHICK of Lebanon, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, FARNUM of South Berwick, HEESCHEN of Wilton, JONES of Bar Harbor, KNEELAND of Easton, LUMBRA of Bangor, PENDLETON of Scarborough, PLOWMAN of Hampden, POVICH of Ellsworth, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SPEAR of Nobleboro, STONE of Bangor, TYLER of Windham, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, O'DEA of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/06/96. **Amended by:** CA H-729. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 557.

LD 1719 SP0659

An Act to Correct Omissions in the Productivity Realization Task Force Legislation Relating to the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission and the Animal Welfare Board. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator CASSIDY of Washington. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/22/96. **Amended by:** CA S-426. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 532.

LD 1725 SP0665

An Act to Clarify and Improve the Governor's Authority to Ban Out-of-door Fires and Restrict Human Activity during Periods of High Fire Danger. (Submitted by the Department of Conservation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator CASSIDY of Washington; Cosponsored by Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset and Senator: PARADIS of Aroostook, Representative: SPEAR of Nobleboro. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA S-504. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/01/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 586.

LD 1776 HP1294

Resolve, to Require Additional Promotion of the Maine Quality Seal. (Submitted by the Commission to Study Options for Preserving the Dairy Industry in the State pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 35, section 6.) **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP Accepted 03/20/96. **Amended by:** HA H-826. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 04/02/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 68.

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY (Cont.)

LD 1778 **HP1296**

Resolve, to Require the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources to Take Various Actions in Support of the Dairy Industry. (Submitted by the Commission to Study Options for Preserving the Dairy Industry in the State pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 35, section 6.) **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-801. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 04/02/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 69.

LD 1808 **HP1321**

An Act to Increase the Reimbursement Levels for Forest Fire Suppression Costs. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative CARR of Hermon; Cosponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, CLARK of Millinocket, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, HICHBORN of Lagrange, POVICH of Ellsworth, STROUT of Corinth, Senators: CIANCHETTE of Somerset, FERGUSON of Oxford. **Public Hearing** 03/05/96. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 1809 **HP1322**

An Act Strengthening the Laws That Prohibit the Drugging of Animals Competing in Pulling Events and Livestock Exhibitions. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative WHITCOMB of Waldo; Cosponsored by Representative SPEAR of Nobleboro and Representatives: KNEELAND of Easton, TRUE of Fryeburg. **Public Hearing** 03/05/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-802. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 602.

LD 1819 **IB0004**

An Act to Promote Forest Rehabilitation and Eliminate Clearcutting. **Public Hearing** 03/18/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/26/96.

AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY (Cont.)

LD 1843 **SP0734**

Original Title: An Act to Encourage Enterprises Engaged in Agriculture and Aquaculture in Maine. **New Title:** An Act to Encourage Enterprises Engaged in Agriculture and Aquaculture in Maine and to Amend the Maine Seed Capital Tax Credit Program. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Senator CASSIDY of Washington; Cosponsored by Senators: KIEFFER of Aroostook, LORD of York, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DESMOND of Mapleton, DEXTER of Kingfield, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, HICHBORN of Lagrange, JOY of Crystal, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, KNEELAND of Easton, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro, O'NEAL of Limestone, PENDLETON of Scarborough, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIROIS of Caribou, SPEAR of Nobleboro, STROUT of Corinth, TYLER of Windham, WHEELER of Bridgewater. **Public Hearing** 03/19/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-542. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 658.

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

LD 671 HP0490

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$5,000,000 to Help Increase Fish Production at the State Hatcheries. **Presented by** Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach; Cosponsored by Representatives: CHICK of Lebanon, CLARK of Millinocket, DAMREN of Belgrade, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, GOULD of Greenville, GREENLAW of Standish, JACQUES of Waterville, KNEELAND of Easton, LOOK of Jonesboro, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro, POIRIER of Saco, ROTONDI of Madison, SAVAGE of Union, STEDMAN of Hartland, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, WINGLASS of Auburn, WINSOR of Norway, YACKOBITZ of Hermon, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, CARPENTER of York, CASSIDY of Washington, FERGUSON of Oxford, HALL of Piscataquis, LORD of York, MICHAUD of Penobscot, O'DEA of Penobscot, RUHLIN of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 06/01/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

LD 688 HP0507

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$5,000,000 to Provide Funding for the Public Access to Maine Waters Fund. **Presented by** Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake; Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BARTH of Bethel, BERRY of Livermore, CHASE of China, CHICK of Lebanon, CLARK of Millinocket, DAMREN of Belgrade, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HEINO of Boothbay, HICHBORN of LaGrange, JOHNSON of South Portland, JOSEPH of Waterville, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LIBBY of Buxton, LOOK of Jonesboro, MAYO of Bath, POULIOT of Lewiston, ROTONDI of Madison, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, SPEAR of Nobleboro, STROUT of Corinth, TREAT of Gardiner, TRUMAN of Biddeford, TUFTS of Stockton Springs. **Public Hearing** 06/01/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/22/96.

LD 811 HP0601

Resolve, to Initiate an Outside Audit to Identify Savings and Duplicate or Unnecessary Programs within State Government. **Presented by** Representative REED of Falmouth; Cosponsored by Representatives: KERR of Old Orchard Beach, SIMONEAU of Thomaston. **Public Hearing** 03/30/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 855 HP0630

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Limit State Spending and Establish a Reserve Fund. **Presented by** Representative REED of Falmouth; Cosponsored by Representative: SIMONEAU of Thomaston. **Public Hearing** 03/29/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. Minority OTP-AM Accepted 04/02/96. House: Failed Final Passage 04/03/96; Senate: Finally Passed 04/03/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/03/96.

LD 1034 HP0760

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Establish a Future Budget Fund. **Presented by** Representative PERKINS of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Representatives: BUCK of Yarmouth, CAMPBELL of Holden, CLARK of Millinocket, DEXTER of Kingfield, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, GOULD of Greenville, JOYCE of Biddeford, Senator: HANLEY of Oxford. **Public Hearing** 05/31/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

LD 1341 HP0952

An Act to Limit the Use of Certificates of Participation. **Presented by** Representative LEMKE of Westbrook; Cosponsored by Representatives: GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HATCH of Skowhegan, JACQUES of Waterville, KEANE of Old Town, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, SAMSON of Jay, SIROIS of Caribou, Senator: LAWRENCE of York. **Public Hearing** 05/31/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/11/96. **Amended by:** CA H-738. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/25/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 562.

LD 1575 SP0589

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$3,000,000 to Encourage Agricultural Enterprises in Maine. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Senator CASSIDY of Washington; Cosponsored by Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset and Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, McCORMICK of Kennebec, MICHAUD of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DiPIETRO of South Portland, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, KNEELAND of Easton, LOOK of Jonesboro, POULIOT of Lewiston, ROWE of Portland, SPEAR of Nobleboro. **No Public Hearing.** Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/22/96.

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1648 HP1198

An Act to Modify the Budget Work Program Process. (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.)

Presented by Representative SIMONEAU of Thomaston. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

LD 1652 HP1202

An Act to Modify the Transfer Procedures for Appropriations, Allocations and Positions. (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative SIMONEAU of Thomaston. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

LD 1664 HP1214

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Prohibit the Use of Funds Raised for Bond Issues for Any Other Purpose. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative SIMONEAU of Thomaston; Cosponsored by Representative DONNELLY of Presque Isle, Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook and Representatives: AIKMAN of Poland, BIGL of Bucksport, CAMERON of Rumford, CHARTRAND of Rockland, CHICK of Lebanon, CLUKEY of Houlton, DAMREN of Belgrade, DiPIETRO of South Portland, DUNN of Gray, FISHER of Brewer, GREENLAW of Standish, HARTNETT of Freeport, HATCH of Skowhegan, JOY of Crystal, JOYNER of Hollis, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, LANE of Enfield, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LEMKE of Westbrook, LEMONT of Kittery, MADORE of Augusta, McELROY of Unity, MURPHY of Berwick, NICKERSON of Turner, OTT of York, POULIOT of Lewiston, REED of Falmouth, RICE of South Bristol, ROWE of Portland, SAVAGE of Union, SPEAR of Nobleboro, STROUT of Corinth, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, WINSOR of Norway, Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, LONGLEY of Waldo. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/22/96.

LD 1677 HP1224

An Act to Modify the Requirement for Financial Order Approval of Allotment Increases in Amounts of \$10,000 or Less. (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative SIMONEAU of Thomaston. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1688 SP0646

An Act to Require Legislative Approval of Financial Obligations of the State beyond the Current Biennium. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Senator: HANLEY of Oxford, Representative: REED of Falmouth. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

LD 1696 HP1236

An Act to Provide Equity in Payment for Substance Abuse Services Purchased by the State. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative DAGGETT of Augusta; Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, FITZPATRICK of Durham, JONES of Bar Harbor, POVICH of Ellsworth, TRUE of Fryeburg, VOLENIK of Sedgwick. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

LD 1724 HP1255

An Act to Clarify the Distribution of Funding for the Maine School of Science and Mathematics. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative O'NEAL of Limestone; Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, AULT of Wayne, CLUKEY of Houlton, DESMOND of Mapleton, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, SIROIS of Caribou, TRUE of Fryeburg, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senators: KIEFFER of Aroostook, PARADIS of Aroostook. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. Majority OTP Accepted 03/26/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 76.

LD 1759 HP1280

An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1996 and June 30, 1997. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Several Public Hearings.** OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96. **Amended by:** CA H-892, HA/CA H-900. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 665.

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1774

HP1292

An Act to Improve and Expand the Functions of the Department of Audit.
(Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative DUNN of Gray; Cosponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford, Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook and Representatives: AIKMAN of Poland, BAILEY of Township 27, BARTH of Bethel, BIGL of Bucksport, BIRNEY of Paris, BUCK of Yarmouth, CAMERON of Rumford, CAMPBELL of Holden, CHICK of Lebanon, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DAGGETT of Augusta, DAMREN of Belgrade, DEXTER of Kingfield, DiPIETRO of South Portland, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, FARNUM of South Berwick, GERRY of Auburn, GIERINGER of Portland, GOOLEY of Farmington, GREEN of Monmouth, HARTNETT of Freeport, JACQUES of Waterville, JONES of Pittsfield, JOY of Crystal, JOYCE of Biddeford, JOYNER of Hollis, KEANE of Old Town, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, KNEELAND of Easton, LABRECQUE of Gorham, LANE of Enfield, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LEMONT of Kittery, LIBBY of Kennebunk, LIBBY of Buxton, LINDAHL of Northport, LOOK of Jonesboro, LOVETT of Scarborough, LUMBRA of Bangor, MARSHALL of Eliot, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MERES of Norridgewock, MURPHY of Berwick, NASS of Acton, OTT of York, PEAVEY of Woolwich, PINKHAM of Lamoine, PLOWMAN of Hampden, POIRIER of Saco, REED of Falmouth, REED of Dexter, RICE of South Bristol, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SAVAGE of Union, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, SPEAR of Nobleboro, STEDMAN of Hartland, TAYLOR of Cumberland, TRIPP of Topsham, TRUE of Fryeburg, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, VIGUE of Winslow, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WHITCOMB of Waldo, WINGLASS of Auburn, WINSOR of Norway, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, AMERO of Cumberland, BEGLEY of Lincoln, BENOIT of Franklin, BERUBE of Androscoggin, BUTLAND of Cumberland, CAREY of Kennebec, CARPENTER of York, CASSIDY of Washington, FERGUSON of Oxford, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, HALL of Piscataquis, HANLEY of Oxford, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, HATHAWAY of York, LONGLEY of Waldo, LORD of York, MILLS of Somerset, STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. **OTP-AM** Accepted 03/19/96. **Amended by:** CA H-745. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 651.

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1817 SP0716

An Act to Provide a Contingent Allocation to Establish a Federally Funded Military Rebuild Site to be Operated by the Maine National Guard at the former Loring Air Force Base. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook; Cosponsored by Representative O'NEAL of Limestone and Senators: MICHAUD of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BERRY of Livermore, CLARK of Millinocket, CLUKEY of Houlton, DESMOND of Mapleton, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, GOULD of Greenville, JOY of Crystal, KEANE of Old Town, KNEELAND of Easton, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIROIS of Caribou, WHEELER of Bridgewater. **Public Hearing** 03/18/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA S-496. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/03/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 71.

LD 1822 HP1330

An Act to Authorize a Bond Issue to Encourage and Support Economic Development. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield; Cosponsored by Representative SPEAR of Nobleboro and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, BIGL of Bucksport, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CAMERON of Rumford, CARR of Hermon, CLOUTIER of South Portland, CLUKEY of Houlton, DAMREN of Belgrade, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DESMOND of Mapleton, DEXTER of Kingfield, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, FARNUM of South Berwick, GATES of Rockport, GOOLEY of Farmington, HEINO of Boothbay, JACQUES of Waterville, JOSEPH of Waterville, JOYNER of Hollis, KEANE of Old Town, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, KNEELAND of Easton, KONTOS of Windham, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, LABRECQUE of Gorham, LEMONT of Kittery, LIBBY of Buxton, LOOK of Jonesboro, MADORE of Augusta, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MITCHELL of Portland, MORRISON of Bangor, O'NEAL of Limestone, POULIOT of Lewiston, RICHARD of Madison, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, SAMSON of Jay, SAXL of Bangor, SAXL of Portland, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, SIROIS of Caribou, STEVENS of Orono, STROUT of Corinth, TAYLOR of Cumberland, THOMPSON of Naples, TREAT of Gardiner, TRUE of Fryeburg, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, WHEELER of Bridgewater, WINGLASS of Auburn, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, CARPENTER of York, CLEVELAND of Androscoggin, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, MICHAUD of Penobscot, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, RAND of Cumberland, RUHLIN of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 03/18/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/29/96. **Amended by:** CA H-834. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 81.

APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1848 SP0740

Original Title: An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$5,500,000 for Major Improvements at State Park and Historic Site Facilities and for the Public Access to Maine Waters Fund and the Land for Maine's Future Fund. **New Title:** An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$3,000,000 for Major Improvements at State Park and Historic Site Facilities. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Senator CASSIDY of Washington; Cosponsored by Senators: LORD of York, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: DEXTER of Kingfield, HEESCHEN of Wilton, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, POULIOT of Lewiston, STROUT of Corinth. **Public Hearing** 03/18/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 04/01/96. **Amended by:** CB (Changed Title) S-568. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 77.

LD 1849 SP0741

Original Title: An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$26,500,000 to Investigate, Abate, Clean up and Mitigate Hazardous Substance Discharges, to Clean Up Tire Stockpiles, to Construct Water Pollution Control Facilities, to Close and Clean Up Municipal Solid Waste Landfills and to Address Environmental Health Deficiencies in Drinking Water Supplies. **New Title:** An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$10,000,000 to Construct Water Pollution Control Facilities and to Address Environmental Health Deficiencies in Drinking Water Supplies. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Senator: LORD of York, Representatives: DEXTER of Kingfield, GOULD of Greenville. **Public Hearing** 03/18/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/27/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-522. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 82.

LD 1879 HP1371

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$16,500,000 to Investigate, Abate and Clean Up Hazardous Substance Discharges, to Clean Up Tire Stockpiles and to Close and Clean up Municipal Solid Waste Landfills. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative SPEAR of Nobleboro; Cosponsored by Senator: MICHAUD of Penobscot. **No Public Hearing.** Majority OTP-AM Accepted 04/01/96. **Amended by:** CA H-908. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 84.

BANKING AND INSURANCE

LD 68 SP0038

Original Title: An Act to Increase Access to and Affordability of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment Services by Providing Mandatory Reimbursement to Counseling Professionals who are Licensed to Assess and Treat Intrapersonal and Interpersonal Problems. **New Title:** An Act to Make Available Coverage for Mental Health Services Provided by Counseling Professionals Who Are Licensed to Assess and Treat Intrapersonal and Interpersonal Problems. **Presented by** Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec. **Public Hearing** 02/22/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/07/96. **Amended by:** CB (Changed Title) S-441. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/25/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 561.

LD 183 HP0135

An Act to Clarify Fresh Start Charges under the Workers' Compensation Laws. **Presented by** Representative PLOWMAN of Hampden; Cosponsored by Representatives: DiPIETRO of South Portland, DUNN of Gray, HARTNETT of Freeport, JOYCE of Biddeford, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, VIGUE of Winslow, WINSOR of Norway, Senators: BERUBE of Androscoggin, CARPENTER of York, CASSIDY of Washington. **Public Hearing** 03/08/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

LD 690 HP0509

An Act to Provide Family Security through Quality, Affordable Health Care. **Presented by** Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake; Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BERRY of Livermore, CHASE of China, HICHBORN of LaGrange, JOHNSON of South Portland, JOSEPH of Waterville, MORRISON of Bangor, O'GARA of Westbrook, ROTONDI of Madison, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, TREAT of Gardiner, TRUMAN of Biddeford, TUFTS of Stockton Springs. **Public Hearing** 04/10/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/06/96.

LD 752 SP0280

An Act to Include Obstetricians and Gynecologists as Primary Care Providers. **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset; Cosponsored by Senator: RAND of Cumberland, Representative: MERES of Norridgewock. **Public Hearing** 04/03/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

BANKING AND INSURANCE (Cont.)

LD 841 SP0302

An Act to Amend the Approval Requirements for Medicare Supplement Insurance Policies. **Presented by** Senator CARPENTER of York; Cosponsored by Senator LORD of York and Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, RUHLIN of Penobscot, Representatives: GATES of Rockport, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, NADEAU of Saco. **Public Hearing** 04/03/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

LD 887 HP0664

Original Title: An Act to Encourage Job Creation by Exempting Small Businesses from the Current Workers' Compensation System. **New Title:** Resolve, Establishing the Study Commission on Workers' Compensation Laws Relating to Small Business. **Presented by** Representative WATERHOUSE of Bridgton; Cosponsored by Representatives: AULT of Wayne, BIRNEY of Paris, DEXTER of Kingfield, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, HARTNETT of Freeport, JOY of Crystal, JOYNER of Hollis, LANE of Enfield, LOOK of Jonesboro, LUMBRA of Bangor, RICE of South Bristol, SAVAGE of Union, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, VIGUE of Winslow, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WINSOR of Norway. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 1079 HP0782

An Act to Improve Coverage for Women's Health Services. **Presented by** Representative MITCHELL of Portland; Cosponsored by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DORE of Auburn, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GERRY of Auburn, LOVETT of Scarborough, MADORE of Augusta, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, NADEAU of Saco, PINKHAM of Lamoine, POVICH of Ellsworth, SAXL of Portland, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, STEVENS of Orono, THOMPSON of Naples, WATSON of Farmingdale, WINGLASS of Auburn, Senators: BUSTIN of Kennebec, PARADIS of Aroostook, PINGREE of Knox, RAND of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 05/03/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

BANKING AND INSURANCE (Cont.)

LD 1385 HP0976

An Act to Ensure That Basic Health Care Needs of Women Are Covered in Insurance Policies. **Presented by** Representative DONNELLY of Presque Isle; Cosponsored by Representatives: LEMONT of Kittery, MADORE of Augusta, MORRISON of Bangor, SAXL of Portland, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, Senators: LONGLEY of Waldo, McCORMICK of Kennebec, PARADIS of Aroostook, RAND of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 05/15/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA H-707, HD/CA H-822. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 617.

LD 1512 SP0553

An Act to Ensure Fairness and Choice to Patients and Providers under Managed Health Care. **Presented by** Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec; Cosponsored by Senator AMERO of Cumberland, Representative LIBBY of Buxton and Senators: BUSTIN of Kennebec, BUTLAND of Cumberland, CAREY of Kennebec, CLEVELAND of Androscoggin, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, LONGLEY of Waldo, PARADIS of Aroostook, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, PINGREE of Knox, RAND of Cumberland, RUHLIN of Penobscot, SMALL of Sagadahoc, STEVENS of Androscoggin, Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, AULT of Wayne, BARTH of Bethel, BRENNAN of Portland, CHARTRAND of Rockland, CHASE of China, CLOUTIER of South Portland, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, DORE of Auburn, ETNIER of Harpswell, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GATES of Rockport, JOYNER of Hollis, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, MADORE of Augusta, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MITCHELL of Portland, MORRISON of Bangor, MURPHY of Berwick, O'GARA of Westbrook, OTT of York, PLOWMAN of Hampden, POVICH of Ellsworth, RICHARDSON of Portland, SAXL of Bangor, SAXL of Portland, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, SIROIS of Caribou, THOMPSON of Naples, TOWNSEND of Portland, TREAT of Gardiner, VIGUE of Winslow, WATSON of Farmingdale, WINN of Glenburn. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/20/96.

LD 1513 HP1074

An Act to Promote Additional Health Insurance Reform. **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield; Cosponsored by Representatives: CARLETON of Wells, MAYO of Bath, Senators: ESTY of Cumberland, KIEFFER of Aroostook. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/30/96.

BANKING AND INSURANCE (Cont.)

LD 1622 HP1184

An Act to Promote Parity Between State and Federally Chartered Credit Unions. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative VIGUE of Winslow. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/01/96. **Amended by:** CA H-683. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 02/23/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 512.

LD 1630 SP0622

An Act to Allow the Diagnosis of Biologically-based Mental Illness by Licensed Psychologists. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator ABROMSON of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth and Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, BUSTIN of Kennebec, CARPENTER of York, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, McCORMICK of Kennebec, MILLS of Somerset, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, SMALL of Sagadahoc, Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CAMERON of Rumford, DORE of Auburn, KONTOS of Windham, LIBBY of Buxton. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. Minority OTP-AM Accepted 04/01/96. **Amended by:** CB S-473, HA/CB H-879. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 637.

LD 1643 SP0635

An Act to Clarify Certain Provisions Relating to Workers' Compensation Self-insurance. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator ABROMSON of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative: VIGUE of Winslow. **Public Hearing** 01/17/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA S-493. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 619.

BANKING AND INSURANCE (Cont.)

LD 1650 HP1200

An Act Enabling the Maine Employers' Mutual Insurance Company to Better Serve the Needs of Small Business. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield; Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMPBELL of Holden, CARLETON of Wells, CHASE of China, GATES of Rockport, GUERRETTE of Pittston, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, MAYO of Bath, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, PAUL of Sanford, SAXL of Portland, VIGUE of Winslow, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, KIEFFER of Aroostook, LAWRENCE of York, McCORMICK of Kennebec, SMALL of Sagadahoc. **Public Hearing** 01/17/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/29/96. **Amended by:** CA H-719. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 551.

LD 1656 HP1206

An Act to Provide for Confidential Treatment of State and Federal Regulatory Information in the Application Process for Financial Institutions. (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative GATES of Rockport; Cosponsored by Representatives: JONES of Pittsfield, MAYO of Bath. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/15/96. **Amended by:** CA H-694. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/07/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 521.

LD 1657 HP1207

An Act to Repeal an Insurance Law Relating to Motor Vehicle Damage Appraisal. (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative VIGUE of Winslow; Cosponsored by Senator: ABROMSON of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/15/96. **Amended by:** CA H-693. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/07/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 522.

LD 1663 HP1213

An Act to Clarify the Laws Regarding the Issuance of a Credit Card to Benefit the Land for Maine's Future Fund. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative VIGUE of Winslow; Cosponsored by Senator: ABROMSON of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 02/13/96. **Amended by:** CA H-688. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/05/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 516.

BANKING AND INSURANCE (Cont.)

LD 1665 HP1215

An Act to Amend the Maine Insurance Code with Respect to Domestic Violence. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented** by Representative GREEN of Monmouth; Cosponsored by Representative SAXL of Portland, Senator LONGLEY of Waldo and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, AULT of Wayne, BERRY of Livermore, BRENNAN of Portland, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CAMPBELL of Holden, CARLETON of Wells, CHASE of China, DAGGETT of Augusta, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DEXTER of Kingfield, DRISCOLL of Calais, GATES of Rockport, GOULD of Greenville, GUERRETTE of Pittston, JACQUES of Waterville, JOHNSON of South Portland, JONES of Pittsfield, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, LEMKE of Westbrook, MAYO of Bath, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MITCHELL of Portland, MORRISON of Bangor, O'GARA of Westbrook, O'NEAL of Limestone, PAUL of Sanford, POULIOT of Lewiston, SAXL of Bangor, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, TREAT of Gardiner, TRIPP of Topsham, TUTTLE of Sanford, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, LAWRENCE of York, LORD of York, McCORMICK of Kennebec, O'DEA of Penobscot, PINGREE of Knox, RAND of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 01/17/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/29/96. **Amended by:** CA H-720. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 553.

LD 1684 HP1231

An Act to Consolidate Insurer Billing Procedures and to Streamline the Licensing Process for Reinsurance Intermediaries. (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented** by Representative LUMBRA of Bangor; Cosponsored by Representative: BENEDIKT of Brunswick. **Public Hearing** 02/01/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/29/96. **Amended by:** CA H-718. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/19/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 544.

LD 1699 HP1239

An Act to Amend and Further Deregulate the Maine Consumer Credit Code. (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented** by Representative VIGUE of Winslow. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA H-805. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/05/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 614.

BANKING AND INSURANCE (Cont.)

LD 1702 HP1242

An Act to Require That Diabetes Supplies and Self-management Training be Covered by Health Insurance Policies. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative JONES of Pittsfield; Cosponsored by Representatives: AIKMAN of Poland, AULT of Wayne, BARTH of Bethel, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, CHASE of China, CHICK of Lebanon, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DEXTER of Kingfield, GATES of Rockport, GERRY of Auburn, JOY of Crystal, LIBBY of Kennebunk, LOOK of Jonesboro, MADORE of Augusta, McELROY of Unity, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MITCHELL of Portland, NICKERSON of Turner, PAUL of Sanford, PENDLETON of Scarborough, POIRIER of Saco, REED of Dexter, RICHARD of Madison, SAXL of Portland, SIROIS of Caribou, STEDMAN of Hartland, TRUE of Fryeburg, TYLER of Windham, Senators: BENOIT of Franklin, CAREY of Kennebec, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, LORD of York. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA H-827. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 592.

LD 1703 SP0651

An Act to Confirm That Nonprofit Health Care Providers May Achieve Cost Savings on Professional and General Liability Coverage. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** President BUTLAND of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative: GWADOSKY of Fairfield. **Public Hearing** 02/01/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/22/96. **Amended by:** CA S-425. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/14/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 540.

LD 1732 SP0670

An Act to Promote the Health of Newborns and Their Mothers. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock; Cosponsored by Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, BENOIT of Franklin, BUTLAND of Cumberland, LAWRENCE of York, LONGLEY of Waldo, McCORMICK of Kennebec, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, PINGREE of Knox, SMALL of Sagadahoc, Representatives: AULT of Wayne, CAMERON of Rumford, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DORE of Auburn, ETNIER of Harpswell, GOULD of Greenville, LUTHER of Mexico, MADORE of Augusta, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, McELROY of Unity, MERES of Norridgewock, PINKHAM of Lamoine, PLOWMAN of Hampden, RICE of South Bristol, ROWE of Portland, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, TREAT of Gardiner. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA S-511, SA/CA S-521. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/05/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 615.

BANKING AND INSURANCE (Cont.)

LD 1750 HP1272

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Maine Task Force on Interstate Banking and Branching. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative VIGUE of Winslow; Cosponsored by Representatives: GATES of Rockport, MAYO of Bath, Senator: ABROMSON of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 02/28/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA H-812, SA/CA S-580. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 628.

LD 1753 HP1277

An Act to Control Health Care Costs and Improve Access to Health Care. (Submitted by the Maine Health Care Reform Commission pursuant to Public Law 1993, chapter 707, Part AA, section 5.) **Public Hearing** 02/21/96. House: Minority OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96, Insist on Engrossment 04/03/96; Senate: Majority ONTP Accepted 03/30/96, Adhere to Majority ONTP 04/03/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/03/96.

LD 1755 SP0686

An Act Pertaining to Employee Benefit Plans of Employee Leasing Companies. (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset; Cosponsored by Representatives: GATES of Rockport, MAYO of Bath, VIGUE of Winslow. **Public Hearing** 02/14/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1757 SP0688

An Act to Clarify and Amend Provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act Relating to Workers' Compensation Self-insurance. (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset; Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMPBELL of Holden, VIGUE of Winslow. **Public Hearing** 02/14/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA S-468. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 594.

BANKING AND INSURANCE (Cont.)

LD 1762 SP0692

An Act to Further Streamline Licensing Procedures at the Bureau of Insurance. (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook; Cosponsored by Representatives: GATES of Rockport, MAYO of Bath. **Public Hearing** 02/22/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA S-459. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/26/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 570.

LD 1789 HP1308

An Act to Clarify the Guaranteed Issuance Requirements for Small Group Health Plans. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 332, Part Q, section 1.) **Public Hearing** 02/29/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/06/96.

LD 1798 HP1314

An Act to Create a Multi-payor System for Universal Health Care. (Submitted by the Maine Health Care Reform Commission pursuant to Public Law 1993, chapter 707, Part AA, section 5.) **Public Hearing** 02/21/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/06/96.

LD 1803 HP1319

An Act to Create a Single-payor System for Universal Health Care. (Submitted by the Maine Health Care Reform Commission pursuant to Public Law 1993, chapter 707, Part AA, section 5.) **Public Hearing** 02/21/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/06/96.

LD 1882 SP0769

An Act to Create the Maine Health Care Reform Act of 1996. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance pursuant to Joint Order S.P. 750). Majority OTP Accepted 04/01/96. **Amended by:** HB H-917, SA S-553, SC S-561. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 673.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

LD 47 HP0053

An Act to Make Pet Dealers Liable for the Sale of Dogs and Cats That Have Health Problems. **Presented by** Representative VIGUE of Winslow; Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMERON of Rumford, CAMPBELL of Holden, DiPIETRO of South Portland, KEANE of Old Town, REED of Dexter, RICKER of Lewiston, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, Senator: STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 02/28/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/20/96. **Amended by:** CA H-779. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 589.

LD 947 SP0342

An Act to Amend the Laws Pertaining to the Regulation of Denturists. **Presented by** Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Representative: HICHBORN of LaGrange. **Public Hearing** 04/24/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA S-460, HA/CA H-774. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 590.

LD 1148 SP0425

An Act to Amend the Social Work Practice Licensing Laws. **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 04/24/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1270 SP0474

An Act to Redefine the Oil and Solid Fuel Board. **Presented by** Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Senators: BUTLAND of Cumberland, HATHAWAY of York, Representatives: GREENLAW of Standish, POULIN of Oakland, POVICH of Ellsworth, ROBICHAUD of Caribou. **Public Hearing** 05/10/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/20/96.

LD 1607 HP1175

Resolve, to Extend Deadlines Relating to the Task Force to Review the Beverage Container Deposit Laws. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative LIBBY of Kennebunk. **Public Hearing** 01/23/96. OTP Accepted 02/20/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 03/07/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 59.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Cont.)

LD 1654 HP1204

An Act to Correct the Law Relating to Small Auctioneers. (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative DEXTER of Kingfield. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1675 SP0640

An Act to Amend the Membership of Certain Boards and Commissions. (Submitted by the Department of Economic and Community Development pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 04/02/96. **Amended by:** CA S-451, HB/CA H-898. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 688.

LD 1746 SP0680

An Act to Encourage High-quality Maine Jobs through a 21st-century Maine Program. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26) **Presented by** Senator FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Representative ROWE of Portland and Senators: CIANCHETTE of Somerset, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, Representative: POVICH of Ellsworth. **Public Hearing** 02/14/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/22/96.

LD 1767 HP1287

An Act to Revise the Sunrise Review Process for Occupational and Professional Regulation. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative ROWE of Portland; Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMERON of Rumford, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, LIBBY of Kennebunk, POVICH of Ellsworth, SIROIS of Caribou, Senator: GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock. **Public Hearing** 02/21/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA H-877. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 686.

LD 1801 HP1317

An Act to Provide for the 1996 and 1997 Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield; Cosponsored by Representatives: MITCHELL of Vassalboro, ROWE of Portland, Senators: GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, HARRIMAN of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP Accepted 03/07/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/25/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 61.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Cont.)

LD 1802 HP1318

An Act to Consolidate and Improve Delivery of International Trade Services in Maine. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield; Cosponsored by President BUTLAND of Cumberland and Representative ROWE of Portland, Senator: HARRIMAN of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-789. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 648.

LD 1813 HP1324

An Act to Make Changes in the Beverage Container Deposit Laws. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 52, section 8.) **Public Hearing** 02/28/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/20/96.

LD 1814 HP1326

An Act Concerning the Treatment of Ocular Diseases by Optometrists. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 439.) **Public Hearing** 03/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-790. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 606.

LD 1831 HP1337

An Act to Create the Small Enterprise Growth Program. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative KONTOS of Windham; Cosponsored by Representative ROWE of Portland, Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland and Representatives: CAMERON of Rumford, CAMPBELL of Holden, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, FISHER of Brewer, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, JOSEPH of Waterville, LIBBY of Kennebunk, POVICH of Ellsworth, REED of Dexter, RICHARD of Madison, RICHARDSON of Portland, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIROIS of Caribou, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock. **Public Hearing** 03/19/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/27/96. **Amended by:** CA H-844. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 699.

LD 1852 HP1351

An Act to Establish the Board of Complementary Health Care Providers and to Regulate the Practice of Naturopathic Medicine. (Submitted by the Task Force on Naturopathy pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 49, section 8.) **Public Hearing** 03/13/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/29/96. **Amended by:** CA H-860, SB/CA S-554. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 671.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Cont.)

LD 1860 HP1355

An Act to Amend the Petroleum Market Share Act. (GOVERNOR'S BILL).
Presented by Representative ROWE of Portland. **Public Hearing** 03/20/96.
OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA H-839. **Final Disposition:**
Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 627.

LD 1865 SP0752

Resolve, to Extend the Reporting Deadline of the Export Financing Services
Study Group. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative
Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator LONGLEY of Waldo.
No Public Hearing. OTP Accepted 03/22/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency
Finally Passed, Signed 04/02/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 70.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

LD 659 HP0478

An Act to Allow Charitable Solicitation by Law Enforcement Officers, Agencies and Associations. **Presented** by Representative BAILEY of Township 27; Cosponsored by Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CAMERON of Rumford, CLARK of Millinocket, HICHBORN of LaGrange, MURPHY of Berwick, PLOWMAN of Hampden, REED of Dexter, STROUT of Corinth. **Public Hearing** 03/27/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Minority ONTP Accepted 03/13/96.

LD 1030 HP0756

An Act to Provide Services to Adjudicated Young Women. **Presented by** Representative JOHNSON of South Portland; Cosponsored by Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BRENNAN of Portland, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, GERRY of Auburn, GREEN of Monmouth, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, LEMKE of Westbrook, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, TREAT of Gardiner, WATSON of Farmingdale. **Public Hearing** 04/12/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

LD 1235 HP0880

An Act to Transfer Juvenile Correctional Functions to the Department of Human Services. **Presented by** Representative BRENNAN of Portland; Cosponsored by Representatives: FITZPATRICK of Durham, MORRISON of Bangor. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/09/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (Cont.)

LD 1294 **HP0918**

Original Title: An Act to Prohibit Home Repair Fraud and Establish Aggravated Penalties When the Victim Is an Older Person. **New Title:** An Act to Prohibit Home Repair Fraud. (Submitted by the Department of the Attorney General pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield; Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, BUCK of Yarmouth, CHASE of China, CHICK of Lebanon, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLOUTIER of South Portland, DESMOND of Mapleton, DRISCOLL of Calais, FISHER of Brewer, GAMACHE of Lewiston, GERRY of Auburn, GREEN of Monmouth, HARTNETT of Freeport, JACQUES of Waterville, JONES of Pittsfield, JOSEPH of Waterville, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MERES of Norridgewock, MORRISON of Bangor, NADEAU of Saco, O'GARA of Westbrook, POVICH of Ellsworth, REED of Dexter, ROTONDI of Madison, SAVAGE of Union, SAXL of Bangor, SIROIS of Caribou, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, TUTTLE of Sanford, TYLER of Windham, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, BUTLAND of Cumberland, CAREY of Kennebec, FERGUSON of Oxford, LAWRENCE of York, MICHAUD of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 05/03/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/07/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-731. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 681.

LD 1457 **HP1038**

An Act to Discourage the Spread of "Crack" Cocaine. (Submitted by the Department of the Attorney General pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township; Cosponsored by Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, CLUKEY of Houlton, McALEVEY of Waterboro, PAUL of Sanford, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WHEELER of Bridgewater. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/09/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/05/96. **Amended by:** CA H-696. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 635.

LD 1510 **SP0551**

An Act to Make Comprehensive Changes to the Sex Offender Laws. **Presented by** Senator PINGREE of Knox; Cosponsored by Senators: BUSTIN of Kennebec, CAREY of Kennebec, LAWRENCE of York, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: LINDAHL of Northport, SHIAH of Bowdoinham. **Public Hearing** 05/15/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA S-516. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 680.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (Cont.)

LD 1661 HP1211

Original Title: An Act to Increase the Penalty for Criminal Restraint of a Young Child or a Dependent Person. **New Title:** An Act to Increase the Penalty for Criminal Restraint of a Young Child. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative PEAVEY of Woolwich; Cosponsored by Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc and Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, BUCK of Yarmouth, ETNIER of Harpswell, JOHNSON of South Portland, JOYCE of Biddeford, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, LINDAHL of Northport, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, MAYO of Bath, TAYLOR of Cumberland, WATSON of Farmingdale. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/22/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-700. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 689.

LD 1666 HP1216

An Act to Include Sexual Contact in the Definition of Prostitution. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative POVICH of Ellsworth; Cosponsored by Senator FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BIGL of Bucksport, BIRNEY of Paris, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, BUCK of Yarmouth, CAMERON of Rumford, CAMPBELL of Holden, CARR of Hermon, CLARK of Millinocket, DESMOND of Mapleton, DRISCOLL of Calais, FARNUM of South Berwick, FISHER of Brewer, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GUERRETTE of Pittston, HICHBORN of Lagrange, KEANE of Old Town, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, LANE of Enfield, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, LEMONT of Kittery, LINDAHL of Northport, LOOK of Jonesboro, LUMBRA of Bangor, MADORE of Augusta, MARSHALL of Eliot, MORRISON of Bangor, MURPHY of Berwick, O'NEAL of Limestone, PINKHAM of Lamoine, REED of Dexter, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SAMSON of Jay, SAXL of Bangor, SAXL of Portland, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, SIROIS of Caribou, STONE of Bangor, TAYLOR of Cumberland, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, VIGUE of Winslow, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WHEELER of Bridgewater, WINSOR of Norway, Senators: BEGLEY of Lincoln, CAREY of Kennebec, CASSIDY of Washington, HANLEY of Oxford, LORD of York, RUHLIN of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA H-712. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 638.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (Cont.)

LD 1685 HP1232

Original Title: An Act to Provide Recovery for Motor Vehicle Damage to Forest Lands. **New Title:** An Act to Provide Protection from Motor Vehicle Damage to Forest Lands. (Submitted by the Commission to Study Trespass Laws pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 53.) **Public Hearing** 01/31/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/22/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-701. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/14/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 539.

LD 1693 HP1233

An Act to Enhance Fireworks Safety. (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative CLUKEY of Houlton; Cosponsored by Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth Township, MORRISON of Bangor, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senator: O'DEA of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 01/31/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/22/96. **Amended by:** CA H-702. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 528.

LD 1694 HP1234

Original Title: An Act to Amend the Dispositional Alternatives for Juveniles Adjudicated to Have Committed Gross Sexual Assault upon 2 or More Child Victims. **New Title:** An Act Concerning Juveniles Who Have Been Adjudicated to Have Committed the Juvenile Crime of Gross Sexual Assault. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach; Cosponsored by Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, GUERRETTE of Pittston, POULIOT of Lewiston, Senator: HANLEY of Oxford. **Public Hearing** 01/31/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-752. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 690.

LD 1709 HP1247

An Act to Describe Property Posting under the Criminal Trespass and Trespass by Motor Vehicle Laws. (Submitted by the Commission to Study Trespass Laws pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 53.) **Public Hearing** 01/31/96. OTP Accepted 02/20/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 529.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (Cont.)

LD 1728 HP1256

An Act to Enhance Amusement Ride Safety. (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative CLARK of Millinocket; Cosponsored by Representatives: MORRISON of Bangor, THOMPSON of Naples, WHEELER of Bridgewater. **Public Hearing** 02/14/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/27/96. **Amended by:** CA H-713. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 533.

LD 1738 HP1263

An Act to Require Prisoners to Pay Their Fair Share of Victim Restitution. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative WHEELER of Bridgewater; Cosponsored by Senator BENOIT of Franklin and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CLARK of Millinocket, CLUKEY of Houlton, GOOLEY of Farmington, JOY of Crystal, LAYTON of Cherryfield, McALEVEY of Waterboro, O'NEAL of Limestone, PEAVEY of Woolwich, PINKHAM of Lamoine, REED of Dexter, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton. **Public Hearing** 02/14/96. OTP Accepted 02/27/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 534.

LD 1766

HP1286

An Act to Prohibit Stalking. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative SAXL of Portland; Cosponsored by Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, AHEARNE of Madawaska, BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BERRY of Livermore, BIGL of Bucksport, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, BRENNAN of Portland, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CAMPBELL of Holden, CARR of Hermon, CHARTRAND of Rockland, CHASE of China, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLARK of Millinocket, CLUKEY of Houlton, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DAGGETT of Augusta, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DESMOND of Mapleton, DEXTER of Kingfield, DiPIETRO of South Portland, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, DORE of Auburn, DRISCOLL of Calais, ETNIER of Harpswell, FISHER of Brewer, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GERRY of Auburn, GOOLEY of Farmington, GOULD of Greenville, GREEN of Monmouth, GUERRETTE of Pittston, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HATCH of Skowhegan, JACQUES of Waterville, JOHNSON of South Portland, JONES of Bar Harbor, JONES of Pittsfield, JOSEPH of Waterville, JOYNER of Hollis, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, KONTOS of Windham, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, LEMKE of Westbrook, LEMONT of Kittery, LIBBY of Kennebunk, LIBBY of Buxton, LINDAHL of Northport, LOVETT of Scarborough, MARSHALL of Eliot, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MITCHELL of Portland, MORRISON of Bangor, MURPHY of Berwick, NADEAU of Saco, O'NEAL of Limestone, OTT of York, PAUL of Sanford, PEAVEY of Woolwich, PLOWMAN of Hampden, POULIOT of Lewiston, POVICH of Ellsworth, REED of Falmouth, REED of Dexter, RICHARDSON of Portland, ROWE of Portland, SAMSON of Jay, SAVAGE of Union, SAXL of Bangor, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, SIROIS of Caribou, STEDMAN of Hartland, STEVENS of Orono, STONE of Bangor, TAYLOR of Cumberland, TOWNSEND of Portland, TREAT of Gardiner, TRIPP of Topsham, TRUE of Fryeburg, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, TUTTLE of Sanford, VOLENIK of Sedgwick, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WATSON of Farmingdale, WHEELER of Bridgewater, WINGLASS of Auburn, WINN of Glenburn, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, AMERO of Cumberland, BERUBE of Androscoggin, BUTLAND of Cumberland, CARPENTER of York, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, FERGUSON of Oxford, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, KIEFFER of Aroostook, LONGLEY of Waldo, LORD of York, MICHAUD of Penobscot, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, PINGREE of Knox, RAND of Cumberland, RUHLIN of Penobscot, SMALL of Sagadahoc. **Public Hearing** 02/20/96. Minority OTP-AM Accepted 03/29/96. **Amended by:** CB H-829. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 668.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (Cont.)

LD 1796 HP1312

An Act to Facilitate the Lawful Detention of Juveniles. (GOVERNOR'S BILL).
Presented by Representative CLUKEY of Houlton; Cosponsored by
Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth Township, McALEVEY of Waterboro,
THOMPSON of Naples. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted
03/29/96. **Amended by:** CA H-776. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted,
Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 647.

LD 1861 HP1356

An Act to Make All Cases of Vehicular Manslaughter Class A Crimes.
(Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to
Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative POVICH of Ellsworth;
Cosponsored by Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CLARK of
Millinocket, McALEVEY of Waterboro, REED of Dexter. **Public Hearing**
03/19/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/26/96.

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LD 66 SP0036

An Act to Establish Choices for Parents and Guardians in their Children's Education. **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 05/02/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. House: Indefinitely Postponed 04/02/96, Adhere to Indefinite Postponement 04/02/96; Senate: Report A OTP-AM Accepted 04/01/96, Adhere to Report A OTP-AM 04/02/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/02/96.

LD 505 HP0370

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Committee to Study the Operations of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf. (Submitted by the Committee to Study Operations of the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf pursuant to Public Law 1993, chapter 508, Part D, section 7.) Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/11/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-787. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 676.

LD 827 HP0617

An Act to Provide for Record Checks of Elementary and Secondary Education Employees and Applicants. **Presented by** Representative O'NEAL of Limestone; Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CLARK of Millinocket, DRISCOLL of Calais, GERRY of Auburn, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MORRISON of Bangor, POIRIER of Saco, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senator: PARADIS of Aroostook. **Public Hearing** 04/25/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/06/96. **Amended by:** CA H-724. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 547.

LD 830 HP0620

An Act to Establish Charter Schools. **Presented by** Representative BARTH of Bethel; Cosponsored by Representatives: MITCHELL of Vassalboro, TRUE of Fryeburg, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 05/02/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 880 HP0657

An Act Concerning Referendum Reform for School Budgets. **Presented by** Representative REED of Dexter; Cosponsored by Senator HALL of Piscataquis and Representatives: BAILEY of Township 27, CAMERON of Rumford, CLUKEY of Houlton, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DEXTER of Kingfield, GOULD of Greenville, KNEELAND of Easton, LANE of Enfield, LEMONT of Kittery, LUMBRA of Bangor, MARSHALL of Eliot, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro, McELROY of Unity, NADEAU of Saco, ROTONDI of Madison, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, VIGUE of Winslow, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, BENOIT of Franklin, FERGUSON of Oxford, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, KIEFFER of Aroostook. **Public Hearing** 04/27/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 03/28/96.

LD 1124 HP0807

Original Title: An Act Regarding School Facilities and Debt Service Limits. **New Title:** An Act Regarding School Facilities and Debt Service Limits. **Presented by** Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro; Cosponsored by Representatives: BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BRENNAN of Portland, CHARTRAND of Rockland, KEANE of Old Town, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, MORRISON of Bangor, O'GARA of Westbrook, POVICH of Ellsworth, SIROIS of Caribou, TOWNSEND of Portland, TRUMAN of Biddeford, Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, RUHLIN of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 04/25/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96. **Amended by:** CA H-882, HA/CA (Changed Title) H-888, SA/CA S-574. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 632.

LD 1560 HP1112

Resolve, to Reduce Reliance on the Property Tax for School Funding. **Presented by** Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro. **No Public Hearing.** Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 1614 SP0610

An Act to Amend the Law as It Pertains to Payment of Rent by a Blind or Visually Impaired Individual Who Operates a Vending Facility. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset; Cosponsored by Senator: KIEFFER of Aroostook. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/05/96. **Amended by:** CA S-435, HA/CA H-744. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/25/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 563.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1627 HP1186

An Act to Change the Name of the Maine Youth Apprenticeship Program to the Maine Career Advantage. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield; Cosponsored by Senator: BUTLAND of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP Accepted 02/08/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 02/27/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 515.

LD 1640 SP0632

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Apportionment of Costs of the Mount Desert Island Regional School District among Member Towns. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock; Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, JONES of Bar Harbor, POVICH of Ellsworth. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP Accepted 02/08/96. **Amended by:** SA S-422. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 02/27/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 54.

LD 1642 SP0634

An Act to Extend Waivers of Certain Provisions of the Education Laws. (Submitted by the Department of Education pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/27/96. **Amended by:** CA S-433. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 527.

LD 1660 HP1210

Original Title: An Act to Amend the Monetary Limit of Improvements That Must be Approved by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services for School Administrative Units. **New Title:** Resolve, to Review the Role of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services in Approving School Construction Projects for School Administrative Units. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Public Hearing** 02/01/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-786. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 04/08/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 75.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1678 HP1225

Resolve, to Authorize the Maine Technical College System to Transfer Interests in Real Property. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield; Cosponsored by Representative: DiPIETRO of South Portland, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, CLEVELAND of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 02/01/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/27/96. **Amended by:** CA H-710. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 03/12/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 60.

LD 1705 HP1243

An Act to Establish Educational Services for Grades 7 to 12 in the Towns of Mechanic Falls, Minot and Poland. (Submitted by the Committee to Plan for Education Services in the Towns of Mechanic Falls, Minot and Poland pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 55.) **Public Hearing** 01/09/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/01/96. **Amended by:** CA H-686. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 02/01/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 53.

LD 1718 SP0658

An Act to Repeal and Replace the Charter of Bowdoin College. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative DAVIDSON of Brunswick and Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, BEGLEY of Lincoln, BUTLAND of Cumberland, LAWRENCE of York, SMALL of Sagadahoc, Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HARTNETT of Freeport, LIBBY of Buxton, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, MAYO of Bath, PEAVEY of Woolwich, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, TRIPP of Topsham. **Public Hearing** 03/12/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/19/96. **Amended by:** CA S-480. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/01/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 67.

LD 1747 SP0682

An Act to Authorize the Maine Photographic Workshops to Grant Degrees. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator PINGREE of Knox; Cosponsored by Representative: GATES of Rockport. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP Accepted 03/14/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/01/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 68.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1756 SP0687

An Act to Establish a High School for the Visual and Performing Arts. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, BUTLAND of Cumberland, ESTY of Cumberland, KIEFFER of Aroostook, LAWRENCE of York, McCORMICK of Kennebec, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, PINGREE of Knox, RAND of Cumberland, SMALL of Sagadahoc, STEVENS of Androscoggin, Representatives: AULT of Wayne, CARLETON of Wells, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, DUNN of Gray, GIERINGER of Portland, JACQUES of Waterville, JOHNSON of South Portland, LEMKE of Westbrook, LIBBY of Buxton, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MITCHELL of Portland, O'GARA of Westbrook, O'NEAL of Limestone, PENDLETON of Scarborough, RICHARDSON of Portland, ROWE of Portland, SAXL of Portland, STEVENS of Orono, STONE of Bangor, TAYLOR of Cumberland, TRUE of Fryeburg. **Public Hearing** 02/29/96. House: Minority ONTP Accepted 03/25/96, Insist on Minority ONTP 04/02/96; Senate: Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96, Insist on Engrossment 03/27/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/02/96.

LD 1760 HP1281

An Act to Amend the Definition of "State Agency Client". (Submitted by the Department of Education pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake; Cosponsored by Senator: SMALL of Sagadahoc. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP Accepted 03/14/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/26/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 569.

LD 1786 HP1305

An Act to Transfer the Agricultural Education Consultant to the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources. (Submitted by the Commission to Study Options for Preserving the Dairy Industry in the State pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 35, section 6.) **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/14/96.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1791 SP0701

An Act to Initiate Education Reform in Maine. (GOVERNOR'S BILL).

Presented by Senator AMERO of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro and Senators: BENOIT of Franklin, KIEFFER of Aroostook, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BIGL of Bucksport, CAMERON of Rumford, DAMREN of Belgrade, DORE of Auburn, GIERINGER of Portland, GOOLEY of Farmington, HICHBORN of Lagrange, JOSEPH of Waterville, LIBBY of Kennebunk, LIBBY of Buxton, LOVETT of Scarborough, McELROY of Unity, MURPHY of Berwick, O'GARA of Westbrook, POIRIER of Saco, RICE of South Bristol, TUFTS of Stockton Springs. **Public Hearing** 02/28/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 04/01/96. **Amended by:** CA S-549, SG/CA S-600. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 649.

LD 1800 HP1316

Resolve, to Recognize the Maine School for the Arts and the Maine High School for the Arts. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative LUMBRA of Bangor; Cosponsored by Senator PARADIS of Aroostook and Representatives: BIRNEY of Paris, CAMPBELL of Holden, CARR of Hermon, CHICK of Lebanon, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, FARNUM of South Berwick, GIERINGER of Portland, HICHBORN of Lagrange, JONES of Pittsfield, JOY of Crystal, KEANE of Old Town, LANE of Enfield, LEMONT of Kittery, LOOK of Jonesboro, LOVETT of Scarborough, MARSHALL of Eliot, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MERES of Norridgewock, MORRISON of Bangor, MURPHY of Berwick, PENDLETON of Scarborough, PERKINS of Penobscot, PINKHAM of Lamoine, PLOWMAN of Hampden, RICE of South Bristol, SAXL of Bangor, SPEAR of Nobleboro, STEDMAN of Hartland, STONE of Bangor, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WHITCOMB of Waldo, WINGLASS of Auburn, WINN of Glenburn, Senators: HANLEY of Oxford, HATHAWAY of York, MICHAUD of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 03/05/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/25/96. **Amended by:** CA H-794. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 04/10/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 79.

LD 1818 HP1327

An Act to Require that Public Schools Permit Participation in Curricular, Cocurricular and Extracurricular Activities for Students Enrolled in Approved Equivalent Instruction Programs. (Submitted by the Home School Study Committee pursuant to Resolve 1993, chapter 62.) **Public Hearing** 03/05/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA H-871. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 610.

EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1866 **SP0753**

An Act to Improve the Child Development Services System. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs pursuant to Joint Order S.P. 722.) **Public Hearing** 03/21/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/29/96. **Amended by:** CA S-534. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 662.

LD 1870 **SP0758**

An Act to Authorize Casco Bay College to Grant Degrees. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs pursuant to Joint Order S.P 721.) **Public Hearing** 03/21/96. OTP Accepted 03/25/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/03/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 72.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

LD 134 HP0099

Original Title: An Act to Exempt Certain Small Businesses from Paying the Annual Fee to the Public Drinking Water Fund. **New Title:** An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Maine Public Drinking Water Commission. **Presented by** Representative WHITCOMB of Waldo. **Public Hearing** 02/24/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-746. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/01/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 581.

LD 271 HP0212

Original Title: An Act to Establish an Electronic Benefit Delivery Program for Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Food Stamp, Women, Infants and Children Special Supplemental Food and Medicaid Programs. **New Title:** An Act to Establish an Electronic Benefit Transfer System for Programs Administered by State Government. **Presented by** Representative MORRISON of Bangor; Cosponsored by Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, BRENNAN of Portland, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, FITZPATRICK of Durham, JOHNSON of South Portland, KEANE of Old Town, POVICH of Ellsworth, TUTTLE of Sanford, WINN of Glenburn, Senators: CARPENTER of York, ESTY of Cumberland, O'DEA of Penobscot. **No Public Hearing.** Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-842. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 675.

LD 974 HP0717

An Act to Create an Advisory Board and State and Local Interagency Teams to Assist in the Provision of Care for Children and Adolescents with Severe Emotional Disturbance. **Presented by** Representative FITZPATRICK of Durham; Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DORE of Auburn, ETNIER of Harpswell, JONES of Bar Harbor, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, MITCHELL of Portland, POVICH of Ellsworth. **Public Hearing** 05/03/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Cont.)

LD 1601 HP1169

An Act to Allow Physicians' Offices to Receive Discounts from Pharmaceutical Manufacturers. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative JOHNSON of South Portland; Cosponsored by Representatives: FITZPATRICK of Durham, LOVETT of Scarborough, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, TRIPP of Topsham, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senators: PENDEXTER of Cumberland, PINGREE of Knox. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/06/96. **Amended by:** CA H-725. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 548.

LD 1604 HP1172

An Act Requiring the Department of Human Services to Reimburse Nursing Home Facilities from Initial Medicaid Eligibility. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative BIRNEY of Paris; Cosponsored by Senator HANLEY of Oxford and Representatives: CAMPBELL of Holden, DiPIETRO of South Portland, DORE of Auburn, JOY of Crystal, JOYNER of Hollis, LIBBY of Buxton, POULIOT of Lewiston, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, Senators: CARPENTER of York, CIANCHETTE of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 02/08/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1644 SP0636

An Act to Amend the Hospital Cooperation Act of 1992 to Facilitate Integrated Health Care Delivery Systems by Authorizing and Supervising Certain Hospital Mergers. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, RAND of Cumberland, Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DiPIETRO of South Portland, JOHNSON of South Portland, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, TAYLOR of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA S-533. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/01/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 583.

LD 1646 HP1196

An Act to Establish the Freeport Towne Square Mental Retardation Facility. (Submitted by the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/27/96. **Amended by:** CA H-709. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 550.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Cont.)

LD 1673 **SP0638**

Original Title: An Act to Ensure That Charity Care Guidelines That Apply to Hospitals Also Apply to Their Subsidiaries. **New Title:** An Act to Require the Department of Human Services to Provide Notice and Hearing in Cases Involving Denial of the Application of the Charity Care Guidelines. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Public Hearing** 02/14/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/19/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-482. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 596.

LD 1689 **SP0647**

Original Title: Resolve, Directing the Department of Human Services to Take Steps to Reduce the Regulation of Nurses Providing Care to Nursing Home Residents. **New Title:** Resolve, That the Department of Human Services Convene a Task Force on Paperwork Reduction in Nursing Facilities. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative HARTNETT of Freeport and Senators: BENOIT of Franklin, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, HANLEY of Oxford, O'DEA of Penobscot, PINGREE of Knox, Representative: BUCK of Yarmouth. **Public Hearing** 02/08/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-514. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 04/03/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 71.

LD 1704 **SP0654**

An Act Redefining the Community Services Structure of the Mental Health System. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator PENDEXTER of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 03/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 04/01/96. **Amended by:** CA S-562. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 691.

LD 1716 **SP0656**

An Act to Allow the Department of Human Services to Release the Names of Individuals Who Receive Welfare Benefits as a Result of Serious, False Misrepresentation. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Cont.)

LD 1730 **SP0668**

An Act to Require the Department of Human Services to Base Eligibility for Medicaid Reimbursement for Nursing Facility Care on a Person's Entire Medical Condition. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator PINGREE of Knox; Cosponsored by Representative TREAT of Gardiner and Senators: BERUBE of Androscoggin, BUSTIN of Kennebec, CAREY of Kennebec, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, CLEVELAND of Androscoggin, ESTY of Cumberland, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, LAWRENCE of York, LONGLEY of Waldo, MICHAUD of Penobscot, MILLS of Somerset, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, RAND of Cumberland, RUHLIN of Penobscot, Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BERRY of Livermore, BRENNAN of Portland, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CAMERON of Rumford, CHARTRAND of Rockland, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLARK of Millinocket, CLOUTIER of South Portland, DAGGETT of Augusta, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DESMOND of Mapleton, DiPIETRO of South Portland, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, DORE of Auburn, ETNIER of Harpswell, FISHER of Brewer, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GERRY of Auburn, GOULD of Greenville, GREEN of Monmouth, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HEESCHEN of Wilton, JACQUES of Waterville, JOHNSON of South Portland, JONES of Bar Harbor, JOSEPH of Waterville, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, KONTOS of Windham, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, LEMKE of Westbrook, LOOK of Jonesboro, LUTHER of Mexico, McALEVEY of Waterboro, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MITCHELL of Portland, MORRISON of Bangor, PLOWMAN of Hampden, POULIOT of Lewiston, RICE of South Bristol, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, SAMSON of Jay, SAVAGE of Union, SAXL of Bangor, SAXL of Portland, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, STEVENS of Orono, TOWNSEND of Portland, TUTTLE of Sanford, TYLER of Windham, WATSON of Farmingdale, WINGLASS of Auburn. **Public Hearing** 02/08/96. OTP-AM Accepted 04/01/96. **Amended by:** CA S-557, SA/CA S-578. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 687.

LD 1731 **SP0669**

An Act to Amend the Mass Gathering Laws. (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator PARADIS of Aroostook; Cosponsored by Representative KNEELAND of Easton and Senator: BENOIT of Franklin. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/19/96.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Cont.)

LD 1743 HP1268

An Act to Establish Consistency between Federal and State Drinking Water Laws. (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative ETNIER of Harpswell; Cosponsored by Representatives: DAVIDSON of Brunswick, FITZPATRICK of Durham, TRUE of Fryeburg. **Public Hearing** 02/14/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-785. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 622.

LD 1764 HP1284

An Act to Ensure the Proper and Humane Care of Persons Requiring Mental Health Services. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative MITCHELL of Portland; Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DORE of Auburn, ETNIER of Harpswell, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, JACQUES of Waterville, JOHNSON of South Portland, JOSEPH of Waterville, JOYNER of Hollis, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, LOVETT of Scarborough, MADORE of Augusta, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, SAMSON of Jay, SAXL of Bangor, SAXL of Portland, STEVENS of Orono, THOMPSON of Naples, TOWNSEND of Portland, WINGLASS of Auburn, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, AMERO of Cumberland, BERUBE of Androscoggin, BUSTIN of Kennebec, CAREY of Kennebec, LONGLEY of Waldo, MICHAUD of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, PINGREE of Knox, RAND of Cumberland, RUHLIN of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA H-769, SA S-582. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 697.

LD 1772 HP1289

An Act to Create a Uniform Health Information System. (Submitted by the Maine Health Care Reform Commission pursuant to Public Law 1993, chapter 707, Part AA, section 5.) **Public Hearing** 03/06/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/14/96.

LD 1773 HP1291

An Act to Ensure the Continued Stability of Services for Persons with Mental Retardation. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Public Hearing** 02/29/96. OTP-AM Accepted 04/01/96. **Amended by:** CA H-906, SA/CA S-566. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 685.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Cont.)

LD 1784 HP1303

An Act to Amend the Home Health Laws. (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative WINGLASS of Auburn; Cosponsored by Representatives: ETNIER of Harpswell, JOY of Crystal, KNEELAND of Easton. **Public Hearing** 02/29/96. OTP Accepted 03/21/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 620.

LD 1788 HP1307

Original Title: An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force to Monitor Deregulation of Hospitals. **New Title:** An Act to Establish the Maine Health Data Organization. (Submitted by the Task Force to Monitor Deregulation of Hospitals pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 368, Part W, section 12.) **Public Hearing** 03/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 04/01/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-909. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 653.

LD 1795 HP1311

An Act to Clarify the Laws Pertaining to the Regulation of Narcotic Dependency Treatment Programs. (Submitted by the Department of Human Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative AULT of Wayne; Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CHICK of Lebanon. **Public Hearing** 03/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA H-841. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 621.

LD 1806 SP0707

An Act to Promote Choice and Quality in Long-term Care. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Senator PENDEXTER of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative TOWNSEND of Portland and Senators: MICHAUD of Penobscot, MILLS of Somerset, PARADIS of Aroostook, PINGREE of Knox, Representatives: MITCHELL of Portland, OTT of York, WINGLASS of Auburn. **Public Hearing** 03/05/96. OTP-AM Accepted 04/01/96. **Amended by:** CA S-563. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 696.

LD 1812 SP0712

An Act to Extend Health Care Coverage for Parents Leaving the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 03/11/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96. **Amended by:** CA S-556. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 692.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (Cont.)

LD 1835 SP0731

An Act to Provide for Assisted Living Services. (Submitted by the Assisted Living Task Force pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 362.) **Public Hearing** 03/12/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96. **Amended by:** CA S-544, SA/CA S-552. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 670.

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

LD 384 HP0280

Resolve, to Install Fish Screens in the West Grand Lake Dam. **Presented by** Representative BAILEY of Township 27; Cosponsored by Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CAMPBELL of Holden, CLUKEY of Houlton, DRISCOLL of Calais, JACQUES of Waterville, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LOOK of Jonesboro, McELROY of Unity, PINKHAM of Lamoine, VIGUE of Winslow, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, FERGUSON of Oxford, STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 03/02/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

LD 572 HP0415

An Act to Transfer Regulatory Control of Whitewater Rafting to the Department of Conservation's Bureau of Parks and Recreation. **Presented by** Representative ROTONDI of Madison; Cosponsored by Representatives: GREENLAW of Standish, JACQUES of Waterville, KEANE of Old Town, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, Senators: HALL of Piscataquis, KIEFFER of Aroostook. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 904 SP0323

An Act to Increase the Penalties for Certain Crimes Involving Alcohol and Illegal Drugs. **Presented by** Senator O'DEA of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, GREENLAW of Standish, Senators: LAWRENCE of York, MILLS of Somerset. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/19/96. **Amended by:** CA S-477. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 679.

LD 1393 HP0985

Resolve, to Standardize Certain Ice Fishing and Open Water Fishing Rules. **Presented by** Representative UNDERWOOD of Oxford; Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMERON of Rumford, CLARK of Millinocket, JACQUES of Waterville, MARSHALL of Eliot, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WINSOR of Norway, Senator: HALL of Piscataquis. **Public Hearing** 05/18/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE (Cont.)

LD 1645 SP0637

An Act to Revise Certain Fish and Wildlife Laws. (Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator HALL of Piscataquis; Cosponsored by Senator: KIEFFER of Aroostook, Representatives: CHICK of Lebanon, DEXTER of Kingfield, GREENLAW of Standish, JACQUES of Waterville, PERKINS of Penobscot, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, TUFTS of Stockton Springs. **Public Hearing** 02/13/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/19/96. **Amended by:** CA S-485, HB/CA H-813, SA/CA S-576. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 667.

LD 1726 SP0666

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force to Study the Operations of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. (Submitted by the Task Force to Study the Operations of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 455, section 44.) **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA S-465. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 695.

LD 1737 HP1262

An Act to Improve the Ability of Potential Users of Private Land to Seek Permission from Landowners. (Submitted by the Commission to Study Trespass Laws pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 53.) **Public Hearing** 02/20/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1820 SP0719

An Act to Amend the Laws Concerning Commercial Whitewater Rafting. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Representative: CLARK of Millinocket. **Public Hearing** 03/05/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/19/96. **Amended by:** CA S-486. House: Emergency Enactment Failed 03/21/96, Insist on Failed Emergency Enactment 03/26/96; Senate: Engrossed 03/22/96. Conference Committee - Unable to Agree 04/02/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/02/96.

LD 1833 SP0727

An Act to Clarify the Definition of Commercial Whitewater Outfitter. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator HANLEY of Oxford. **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA S-513. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 626.

JUDICIARY

LD 346 HP0244

An Act to Change the Maine Rule of Evidence That Currently Allows the Admission of Subsequent Remedial Measures as Evidence of Negligence. **Presented by** Representative RICHARDSON of Portland. **Public Hearing** 02/22/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA H-754. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/29/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 576.

LD 423 SP0161

An Act to Establish a Limit on Noneconomic Damages in Medical Malpractice Actions. **Presented by** Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook; Cosponsored by Senators: BEGLEY of Lincoln, BERUBE of Androscoggin, CAREY of Kennebec, CARPENTER of York, CASSIDY of Washington, FERGUSON of Oxford, HALL of Piscataquis, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, Representatives: AULT of Wayne, CLUKEY of Houlton, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, DUNN of Gray, JOY of Crystal, JOYCE of Biddeford, JOYNER of Hollis, KNEELAND of Easton, NASS of Acton, PLOWMAN of Hampden. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 526 HP0391

An Act to Amend the Statute of Limitations for Health Care Providers and Health Care Practitioners to Include a Discovery Rule. **Presented by** Representative TREAT of Gardiner; Cosponsored by Senator RAND of Cumberland and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, JONES of Bar Harbor, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, MORRISON of Bangor, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, VOLENIK of Sedgwick. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

JUDICIARY (Cont.)

LD 636 SP0239

An Act to Modify Joint and Several Liability in Medical Malpractice Actions.

Presented by Senator RUHLIN of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Senators: BEGLEY of Lincoln, BERUBE of Androscoggin, CAREY of Kennebec, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, FERGUSON of Oxford, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, KIEFFER of Aroostook, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, Representatives: AULT of Wayne, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, GOULD of Greenville, HARTNETT of Freeport, LINDAHL of Northport, MADORE of Augusta, NASS of Acton, PLOWMAN of Hampden, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, VIGUE of Winslow. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 658 HP0477

An Act Concerning Real Estate Trusts. **Presented by** Representative OTT of York; Cosponsored by Representatives: CARLETON of Wells, LIBBY of Kennebunk. **Public Hearing** 03/15/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 02/22/96. **Amended by:** CA H-704. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 523.

LD 742 HP0546

An Act Regarding Wrongful Death Actions. **Presented by** Representative LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford; Cosponsored by Representatives: JOHNSON of South Portland, LEMKE of Westbrook, McALEVEY of Waterboro, NADEAU of Saco, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, Senator: RAND of Cumberland. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA H-755. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/29/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 577.

LD 916 SP0335

An Act to Improve the Function of the Maine Health Security Act. **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset; Cosponsored by Representative: LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA S-462. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/28/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 571.

JUDICIARY (Cont.)

LD 1331 HP0942

An Act Relating to Confidentiality of Records and the Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse. **Presented by** Representative RICHARDSON of Portland; Cosponsored by Representatives: DORE of Auburn, ETNIER of Harpswell, JOHNSON of South Portland, O'NEAL of Limestone. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/17/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 04/01/96.

LD 1358 SP0499

Original Title: An Act to Authorize the Formation of Limited Liability Partnerships. **New Title:** An Act to Establish Limited Liability Partnerships. **Presented by** Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative DORE of Auburn and Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, BENOIT of Franklin, CAREY of Kennebec, CARPENTER of York, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, FERGUSON of Oxford, LORD of York, O'DEA of Penobscot, RAND of Cumberland, Representatives: DUNN of Gray, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, JACQUES of Waterville, KEANE of Old Town, MURPHY of Berwick, NADEAU of Saco, PLOWMAN of Hampden, REED of Falmouth, TRIPP of Topsham. **Public Hearing** 05/22/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/12/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-450, SA/CA S-575. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 633.

LD 1371 SP0512

An Act Relating to Civil Actions, Providing for the Defense of Assumption of Risk, Providing for Standards of Liability in Product Liability Actions and Providing for Standards and Procedures in Awarding Punitive Damages. **Presented by** Senator CIANCHETTE of Somerset; Cosponsored by Senators: BUTLAND of Cumberland, CAREY of Kennebec, FERGUSON of Oxford, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, KIEFFER of Aroostook, Representatives: CAMERON of Rumford, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, PLOWMAN of Hampden, WHITCOMB of Waldo. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1445 SP0528

An Act to Limit the Liability of Property Owners in Cases of Nonnegligent Lead Poisoning. **Presented by** Senator BERUBE of Androscoggin; Cosponsored by Representative: DAGGETT of Augusta. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA S-463. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/28/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 572.

JUDICIARY (Cont.)

LD 1448 SP0531

An Act to Reconcile Rights and Responsibilities with Respect to Sexual Orientation and Related Matters. **Presented by** Senator BERUBE of Androscoggin. **No Public Hearing.** Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1517 SP0558

An Act to Create the Sunshine in Litigation Act. **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset; Cosponsored by Representative: RICHARDSON of Portland. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1618 SP0615

An Act to Reform the Standard of Fiduciary Prudence. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Senator: MILLS of Somerset, Representatives: CARLETON of Wells, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, OTT of York, TREAT of Gardiner. **Public Hearing** 01/22/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/27/96. **Amended by:** CA S-432. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 525.

LD 1624 SP0619

An Act to Update and Clarify the Corporate Laws. (Submitted by the Department of the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 01/09/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/08/96. **Amended by:** CA S-417. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 02/27/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 514.

LD 1625 SP0620

An Act to Restore the Safety Defense to the Maine Human Rights Act. (Submitted by the Maine Human Rights Commission pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. OTP Accepted 02/01/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 02/22/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 511.

JUDICIARY (Cont.)

LD 1626 SP0621

An Act to Allow Recovery by the State of Costs Incurred by the Department of the Attorney General for Making Intelligence and Investigative Information Available to the Public. (Submitted by the Department of the Attorney General pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

LD 1629 HP1188

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Study Commission on Property Rights and the Public Health, Safety and Welfare Establishing a Land Use Mediation Program and Providing for Further Review of Rules. (Submitted by the Study Commission on Property Rights and the Public Health, Safety and Welfare pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 45.) **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 02/29/96. **Amended by:** CA H-711. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/14/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 537.

LD 1634 SP0627

An Act to Clarify Professional Liability. (Submitted by the Department of the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. OTP Accepted 02/27/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 526.

LD 1667 HP1217

Original Title: An Act to Improve Tribal and State Relations by Strengthening the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission. **New Title:** Resolve, to Improve Tribal and State Relations. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative JACQUES of Waterville; Cosponsored by Representatives: BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BISULCA of Penobscot Nation, CHICK of Lebanon, DESMOND of Mapleton, HICHBORN of Lagrange, KEANE of Old Town, MERES of Norridgewock, MOORE of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, SIROIS of Caribou, WINSOR of Norway, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, RUHLIN of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 02/20/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/27/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-856, SA/CA S-537. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 04/11/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 84.

JUDICIARY (Cont.)

LD 1707 HP1245

An Act to Clarify the Landowner Liability Laws. (Submitted by the Commission to Study Trespass Laws pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 53.) **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/07/96. **Amended by:** CA H-730. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/25/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 566.

LD 1708 HP1246

An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to Recovery for Property Damage. (Submitted by the Commission to Study Trespass Laws pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 53.) **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA H-753. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/01/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 585.

LD 1729 HP1257

Resolve, to Require the Study of the Medical Liability Prelitigation Screening Panels. (Submitted by the Maine Health Care Reform Commission pursuant to Public Law 1993, chapter 707, Part AA, section 5.) **Public Hearing** 02/15/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/25/96. **Amended by:** CA H-821. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 04/08/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 76.

LD 1739 HP1264

An Act Authorizing Officers of Closely Held Corporations to Represent those Corporations before Any Court. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative CARR of Hermon. **Public Hearing** 02/20/96. Minority OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA H-770. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 599.

LD 1758 HP1279

An Act to Amend the Protection from Abuse and Protection from Harassment Statutes. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1258.) **Public Hearing** 02/20/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA H-751, SA S-581. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 650.

LD 1765 HP1285

An Act to Amend the Standards for Appointing the Guardian of a Minor. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative MITCHELL of Portland. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-792. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 623.

JUDICIARY (Cont.)

LD 1787 HP1306

An Act to Place Penobscot Land in Trust. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative BISULCA of Penobscot Nation; Cosponsored by Representatives: BENEDIKT of Brunswick, HICHBORN of Lagrange, JACQUES of Waterville, KEANE of Old Town, Senator: RUHLIN of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP Accepted 03/12/96. **Amended by:** SA S-524. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 601.

LD 1799 HP1315

An Act Concerning Notice in Foreclosure Proceedings. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-793, SA S-571. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 654.

LD 1805 SP0706

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Somerset Woods Trustees in Order to Qualify the Charter as a Charitable Corporation under Internal Revenue Service Rules. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP Accepted 03/19/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/28/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 66.

LD 1811 SP0711

An Act to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Laws of Maine. (Submitted by the Revisor of Statutes pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 94.) **No Public Hearing.** OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96. **Amended by:** CA S-541, SA/CA S-555. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 625.

LD 1842 HP1347

An Act to Recodify and Revise the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 19. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 484, section 2.) **Public Hearing** 03/14/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96. **Amended by:** CA H-897. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 694.

JUDICIARY (Cont.)

LD 1847 SP0739

Original Title: An Act to Amend the Freedom of Access Laws to Include Policy-influencing and Fact-finding Advisory Boards and Commissions in the Definition of Public Proceedings. **New Title:** An Act to Amend the Freedom of Access Laws to Include Advisory Boards and Commissions in the Definition of Public Proceedings. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** President BUTLAND of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro and Senators: BENOIT of Franklin, MILLS of Somerset, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, Representative: FITZPATRICK of Durham. **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-529. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 608.

LD 1868 HP1360

An Act to Prohibit the Photographing or Videotaping of Jury Deliberations. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative LIBBY of Buxton; Cosponsored by Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BARTH of Bethel, CAMPBELL of Holden, DEXTER of Kingfield, HARTNETT of Freeport, JOYNER of Hollis, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, LANE of Enfield, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LEMKE of Westbrook, LUMBRA of Bangor, NASS of Acton, O'NEAL of Limestone, PLOWMAN of Hampden, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senators: HANLEY of Oxford, RAND of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 03/25/96. House: Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96, Insist on Majority OTP-AM 04/01/96; Senate: Minority ONTP Accepted 03/30/96, Insist on Minority ONTP 04/01/96, Adhere to Minority ONTP 04/01/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/01/96.

LABOR

LD 483 HP0363

An Act to Abolish the Legislative Retirement System. **Presented by** Representative UNDERWOOD of Oxford; Cosponsored by Representatives: AIKMAN of Poland, BIRNEY of Paris, BUCK of Yarmouth, DUNN of Gray, HARTNETT of Freeport, JONES of Pittsfield, JOY of Crystal, LANE of Enfield, LUMBRA of Bangor, POIRIER of Saco, STEDMAN of Hartland, WINSOR of Norway, Senator: HANLEY of Oxford. **Public Hearing** 03/29/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. House: Indefinitely Postponed 04/02/96, Adhere to Indefinite Postponement 04/02/96; Senate: Minority OTP-AM Accepted 04/02/96, Engrossed as Amended by CB 04/02/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/02/96.

LD 926 HP0675

An Act to Prevent Impasse in Collective Bargaining by Allowing Parties of Either Side to Request Mediation. **Presented by** Representative SAMSON of Jay; Cosponsored by Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, AHEARNE of Madawaska, BERRY of Livermore, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, CHASE of China, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLARK of Millinocket, CLOUTIER of South Portland, DEXTER of Kingfield, DORE of Auburn, DRISCOLL of Calais, FISHER of Brewer, GOULD of Greenville, GREEN of Monmouth, GREENLAW of Standish, HATCH of Skowhegan, JACQUES of Waterville, JONES of Bar Harbor, JOSEPH of Waterville, KEANE of Old Town, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, LEMKE of Westbrook, LUTHER of Mexico, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MORRISON of Bangor, PENDLETON of Scarborough, POULIN of Oakland, ROTONDI of Madison, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, STROUT of Corinth, TREAT of Gardiner, VIGUE of Winslow, VOLENIK of Sedgwick, Senators: BUSTIN of Kennebec, CAREY of Kennebec, CASSIDY of Washington, ESTY of Cumberland, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, HALL of Piscataquis, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, McCORMICK of Kennebec, MICHAUD of Penobscot, MILLS of Somerset, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, RAND of Cumberland, RUHLIN of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 05/03/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LABOR (Cont.)

LD 946 SP0341

Original Title: An Act Concerning Preference to Maine Workers and Contractors. **New Title:** An Act Concerning Notification to Maine Workers and Contractors. **Presented by** Senator LONGLEY of Waldo; Cosponsored by Representative JACQUES of Waterville and Senator: RUHLIN of Penobscot, Representatives: GATES of Rockport, MARSHALL of Eliot, SIMONEAU of Thomaston. **Public Hearing** 05/19/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 02/20/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-418. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 524.

LD 1056 SP0379

Original Title: Resolve, to Create an Advisory Committee to Assist in the Funding of State Employee Workers' Compensation Claims. **New Title:** Resolve, to Create an Advisory Committee to Assist in the Management of State Employee Workers' Compensation Costs. **Public Hearing** 04/26/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 02/20/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-420, HA/CA H-743. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 03/20/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 63.

LD 1606 HP1174

An Act to Amend the Overtime Laws as They Pertain to Bonuses. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative WINSOR of Norway; Cosponsored by Senator MILLS of Somerset and Representatives: DUNN of Gray, STONE of Bangor, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, VIGUE of Winslow. **Public Hearing** 01/17/96. OTP Accepted 01/30/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 02/22/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 510.

LD 1609 HP1177

Original Title: An Act to Provide Consistent Retirement Plan Options for Game Wardens, Marine Patrol Officers, Forest Rangers and Baxter State Park Authority Rangers. **New Title:** An Act to Provide Consistent Retirement Plan Options for Game Wardens, Marine Patrol Officers, Forest Rangers and Baxter State Park Authority Rangers. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative CHASE of China; Cosponsored by Representatives: HATCH of Skowhegan, JONES of Bar Harbor, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, SAMSON of Jay, WINSOR of Norway. **Public Hearing** 01/17/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/25/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-817. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 624.

LABOR (Cont.)

LD 1633 SP0626

An Act to Clarify the Laws Governing the Calculation of Interest on Decrees under the Workers' Compensation Laws. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 01/26/96. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 02/29/96.

LD 1637 HP1193

An Act to Establish the Administrative Operating Budget for the Maine State Retirement System for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1997. (Submitted by the Maine State Retirement System pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 17103, subsection 13.) **Public Hearing** 01/26/96. OTP Accepted 02/13/96. **Amended by:** SA S-440. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/14/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 58.

LD 1698 HP1238

Original Title: An Act to Expedite the Decision-making Process for Disability Retirement under the Maine State Retirement System. **New Title:** An Act to Make Changes to the Disability Plans Administered by the Maine State Retirement System and to Establish a Process for Further Improvements. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Public Hearing** 02/21/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-899, HB/CA H-911. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 643.

LD 1761 SP0689

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Employee Leasing Companies. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator HANLEY of Oxford; Cosponsored by Representative BENEDIKT of Brunswick and Senators: BEGLEY of Lincoln, BERUBE of Androscoggin, CLEVELAND of Androscoggin, FERGUSON of Oxford, Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DiPIETRO of South Portland, DORE of Auburn, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, KONTOS of Windham, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MURPHY of Berwick, NADEAU of Saco, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIROIS of Caribou, TOWNSEND of Portland, TUTTLE of Sanford, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, VIGUE of Winslow, WHITCOMB of Waldo, WINGLASS of Auburn, WINSOR of Norway. **Public Hearing** 02/14/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/27/96. **Amended by:** CA S-464. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 618.

LABOR (Cont.)

LD 1770 SP0696

Original Title: An Act to Exempt All Individuals Engaged in Fishing from Unemployment Insurance Requirements. **New Title:** An Act to Exempt Certain Individuals from Unemployment Insurance Requirements. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator LAWRENCE of York; Cosponsored by Representative: MARSHALL of Eliot. **Public Hearing** 02/21/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/12/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-453. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/01/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 587.

LD 1807 HP1320

An Act to Exclude Services Provided by Direct Sellers from the Definition of Employment for Purposes of Unemployment Compensation. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative JOY of Crystal; Cosponsored by Senator BEGLEY of Lincoln and Representatives: HATCH of Skowhegan, STEDMAN of Hartland, TUTTLE of Sanford. **Public Hearing** 03/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-781. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/03/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 612.

LD 1825 SP0723

An Act Regarding Survivor Benefits in the Event of Divorce and Remarriage. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator SMALL of Sagadahoc. **Public Hearing** 03/13/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA S-495, SA/CA S-503. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 604.

LD 1846 SP0738

An Act to Combine Certain Reporting Requirements for Employees. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Senator RUHLIN of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Representative REED of Falmouth and Senators: BEGLEY of Lincoln, CAREY of Kennebec, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, Representatives: HATCH of Skowhegan, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, TUTTLE of Sanford. **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA S-520, SA/CA S-584. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 657.

LABOR (Cont.)

LD 1850 HP1349

An Act to Clarify the Retirement Status of Certain Employees of the Child Development Services System. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA H-875. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 78.

LD 1862 HP1357

An Act to Ensure That Employees Are Compensated for Accrued Vacation Time in the Event of the Sale of a Business. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative TUTTLE of Sanford; Cosponsored by Representative HATCH of Skowhegan, Senator MILLS of Somerset and Representatives: CHASE of China, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, JACQUES of Waterville, JOY of Crystal, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, SAMSON of Jay, STEDMAN of Hartland, TYLER of Windham, Senators: BEGLEY of Lincoln, RAND of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA H-840. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/29/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 580.

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

LD 400 HP0296

Original Title: An Act to Authorize Video Gaming. **New Title:** An Act to Clarify the Laws Relating to Gaming and Harness Racing. **Presented by** Representative DiPIETRO of South Portland; Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMERON of Rumford, FARNUM of South Berwick, FISHER of Brewer, KEANE of Old Town, MURPHY of Berwick, VIGUE of Winslow. **Public Hearing** 04/12/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. Minority OTP-AM Accepted 04/03/96. **Amended by:** SA (Changed Title) S-569, HA/SA H-922. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 677.

LD 848 SP0310

An Act to Further the Privatization of Liquor Stores within the State. **Presented by** Senator STEVENS of Androscoggin; Cosponsored by Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, BUCK of Yarmouth, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LIBBY of Kennebunk, REED of Falmouth. **Public Hearing** 04/05/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1076 HP0779

An Act to Clarify the Laws Regarding the Ejection of a Person from a Boardinghouse. **Presented by** Representative JONES of Bar Harbor. **Public Hearing** 05/11/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. House: Indefinitely Postponed 03/07/96; Senate: Minority ONTP Accepted 03/11/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 03/11/96.

LD 1218 HP0868

An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to Harness Racing. **Presented by** Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach; Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DEXTER of Kingfield, DiPIETRO of South Portland, HICHBORN of LaGrange, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, POULIOT of Lewiston, TYLER of Windham, WINN of Glenburn, Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, PENDEXTER of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 05/17/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Minority ONTP Accepted 04/01/96.

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1303 SP0479

An Act to Clarify Definitions Under the Laws Concerning Games of Chance. (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Senator: STEVENS of Androscoggin, Representatives: GAMACHE of Lewiston, TRUE of Fryeburg. **Public Hearing** 05/24/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. House: Enacted 03/30/96, Insist on Enactment 03/30/96; Senate: Indefinitely Postponed 03/30/96, Adhere to Indefinite Postponement 04/01/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/01/96.

LD 1591 HP1157

An Act to Implement the Productivity Plan of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources Relating to Harness Racing. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs pursuant to Joint Order, H.P. 1154) **Presented by** Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach. Carried Over from the First Special Session 11/30/95. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1611 SP0607

An Act to Allow Limited Partnerships between Brewers and Wholesalers. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator FERGUSON of Oxford. **Public Hearing** 01/25/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/07/96.

LD 1621 HP1182

An Act to Amend the Campaign Finance Laws. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield. **Public Hearing** 01/18/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1628 HP1187

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine Regarding Municipal Certification of Direct Initiative Petitions. (Submitted by the Department of the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative NADEAU of Saco. **Public Hearing** 01/18/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/27/96. **Amended by:** CA H-714. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 04/03/96, CON RES LAWS, Chapter 3.

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1632 SP0624

An Act Relating to the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented** by Senator FERGUSON of Oxford; Cosponsored by Representative: NADEAU of Saco. **Public Hearing** 01/25/96. OTP Accepted 03/12/96. **Amended by:** SB S-456. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/01/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 582.

LD 1635 SP0628

An Act to Amend the Law Concerning Tobacco Use by Juveniles. (Submitted by the Judicial Department pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 01/25/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA S-471. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 593.

LD 1653 HP1203

An Act to Amend the Election Laws. (Submitted by the Department of the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative NADEAU of Saco. **Public Hearing** 01/18/96. House: OTP-AM Accepted 03/05/96, Adhere to Engrossment 04/01/96; Senate: Indefinitely Postponed 04/01/96, Adhere to Indefinite Postponement 04/01/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 04/01/96.

LD 1692 SP0650

An Act to Improve Local Control over Liquor Licensing. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator RAND of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, AMERO of Cumberland, Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DAGGETT of Augusta, MITCHELL of Portland, MURPHY of Berwick, POULIOT of Lewiston, RICKER of Lewiston, TOWNSEND of Portland. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/14/96.

LD 1706 HP1244

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force on Alcoholic Beverage Sales. (Submitted by the Task Force on Alcoholic Beverage Sales pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 54, section 6.) **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 03/29/96.

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1720 **SP0660**

Original Title: An Act to Allow the Adjutant General to Sell Unfit and Unneeded Property and Apply Proceeds to the Military Bureau's Construction and Capital Repair Account, to Authorize the Adjutant General to Transfer Real Property, and to Authorize the Military Bureau to Retain the Proceeds of Armory Rentals. **New Title:** An Act to Allow the Adjutant General to Sell Unfit and Unneeded Property and Apply Proceeds to the Military Bureau's Capital Repair Account, to Authorize the Adjutant General to Transfer Real Property, and to Authorize the Military Bureau to Retain the Proceeds of Armory Rentals. (Submitted by the Department of Defense and Veterans' Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator FERGUSON of Oxford; Cosponsored by Senator: MICHAUD of Penobscot, Representatives: BUCK of Yarmouth, TRUE of Fryeburg, WINGLASS of Auburn. **Public Hearing** 02/13/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA S-489, HA/CA (Changed Title) H-823. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 684.

LD 1742 **HP1267**

Original Title: An Act to Amend the Definition of Outdoor Stadium in the Liquor Licensing Laws. **New Title:** An Act to Amend the Liquor Licensing Laws. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative STONE of Bangor; Cosponsored by Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CAMPBELL of Holden, CARLETON of Wells, CARR of Hermon, CLARK of Millinocket, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DEXTER of Kingfield, DiPIETRO of South Portland, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, DORE of Auburn, DUNN of Gray, FARNUM of South Berwick, FISHER of Brewer, GIERINGER of Portland, GREEN of Monmouth, GUERRETTE of Pittston, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HARTNETT of Freeport, JACQUES of Waterville, JOSEPH of Waterville, JOYCE of Biddeford, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LEMONT of Kittery, LUMBRA of Bangor, MORRISON of Bangor, NASS of Acton, O'GARA of Westbrook, O'NEAL of Limestone, PINKHAM of Lamoine, PLOWMAN of Hampden, POVICH of Ellsworth, REED of Dexter, RICE of South Bristol, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, ROWE of Portland, SAMSON of Jay, SAXL of Bangor, SAXL of Portland, STEVENS of Orono, TUTTLE of Sanford, TYLER of Windham, WHITCOMB of Waldo, WINN of Glenburn, WINSOR of Norway, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, CAREY of Kennebec, CARPENTER of York, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, FERGUSON of Oxford, HALL of Piscataquis, LAWRENCE of York, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, PINGREE of Knox, RUHLIN of Penobscot, STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/06/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-726, SA/CA S-447. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 558.

LEGAL AND VETERANS AFFAIRS (Cont.)

LD 1744 HP1269

An Act to Revise the State Active Service Laws. (GOVERNOR'S BILL).
Presented by Representative NADEAU of Saco; Cosponsored by
Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, AULT of Wayne, DRISCOLL of
Calais, O'NEAL of Limestone, TRUE of Fryeburg, Senators: MICHAUD of
Penobscot, STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 02/13/96. OTP-AM
Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-784. **Final Disposition:** Enacted,
Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 600.

LD 1785 HP1304

An Act Relating to Payment of Tri-state Lotto Prizes. (GOVERNOR'S BILL).
Presented by Representative NADEAU of Saco; Cosponsored by Senator
FERGUSON of Oxford and Representative TRUE of Fryeburg. **Public Hearing**
02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/20/96. **Amended by:** CA H-773. **Final**
Disposition: Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 652.

LD 1823 IB0005

An Act to Reform Campaign Finance. **Public Hearing** 03/12/96. House:
Majority ONTP Accepted 03/28/96, Insist on Majority ONTP 03/30/96, Adhere
to Majority ONTP 04/01/96; Senate: Minority OTP-AM Accepted 03/29/96,
Adhere to Engrossment 03/30/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses
04/01/96.

LD 1827 IB0006

An Act to Seek Congressional Term Limits. **Public Hearing** 03/19/96. **Final**
Disposition: Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/22/96.

LD 1867 SP0756

An Act to Establish a Review Process for Certification of Political Petitions.
(Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to
Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator LAWRENCE of York. **Public Hearing**
03/21/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15
03/25/96.

MARINE RESOURCES

LD 185 HP0137

Original Title: An Act to Restrict the Taking of Eels Less than 6 Inches in Length from Maine Coastal Waters. **New Title:** An Act Regarding the Harvesting of Eels and Elvers. **Presented by** Representative HEINO of Boothbay; Cosponsored by Representatives: LEMONT of Kittery, RICE of South Bristol, Senator: HALL of Piscataquis. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-759, HB/CA H-763. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/14/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 536.

LD 1210 SP0443

An Act to Protect Near-shore Groundfish Spawning Areas. **Presented by** Senator HARRIMAN of Cumberland. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

LD 1647 HP1197

An Act to Increase the Number of Lobster Traps Allowed on Trawls in Hancock County. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative PINKHAM of Lamoine; Cosponsored by Representatives: FISHER of Brewer, GIERINGER of Portland, LEMONT of Kittery, LOOK of Jonesboro, LOVETT of Scarborough, PERKINS of Penobscot, POVICH of Ellsworth. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

LD 1649 HP1199

An Act to Increase Penalties in the Sea Urchin Fishery. (Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative RICE of South Bristol; Cosponsored by Representative: CLOUTIER of South Portland. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

MARINE RESOURCES (Cont.)

LD 1670 HP1220

An Act to Permit Retired Marine Patrol Officers to Enter into Commercial Fishing. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative POVICH of Ellsworth; Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, BOUFFARD of Lewiston, BRENNAN of Portland, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, DESMOND of Mapleton, FISHER of Brewer, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GERRY of Auburn, JONES of Bar Harbor, KEANE of Old Town, MADORE of Augusta, RICHARDSON of Portland, SAMSON of Jay, SIROIS of Caribou, STEVENS of Orono, TRUE of Fryeburg, TYLER of Windham, WINGLASS of Auburn, Senators: FERGUSON of Oxford, O'DEA of Penobscot, RUHLIN of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1695 HP1235

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Drag Limits in South Bay. (Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative LOOK of Jonesboro; Cosponsored by Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, BAILEY of Township 27, VOLENIK of Sedgwick, Senator: CASSIDY of Washington. **Public Hearing** 01/31/96. OTP Accepted 02/15/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/05/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 518.

LD 1714 HP1252

An Act to Establish a Sea Urchin Management Plan. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative RICE of South Bristol. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA H-816, HA/CA H-865. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 595.

LD 1715 SP0655

An Act to Create a Scallop Diving Tender License. (Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock; Cosponsored by Representatives: BIGL of Bucksport, VOLENIK of Sedgwick. **Public Hearing** 01/31/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/26/96. **Amended by:** CA S-430. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 530.

MARINE RESOURCES (Cont.)

LD 1717 SP0657

An Act Allowing Towns to Form Regional Shellfish Management Committees. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator PINGREE of Knox; Cosponsored by Representative SIMONEAU of Thomaston and Representatives: BENEDIKT of Brunswick, ETNIER of Harpswell, RICE of South Bristol. **Public Hearing** 01/31/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/27/96. **Amended by:** CA S-429. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 531.

LD 1727 SP0667

An Act Concerning Special Licenses in the Department of Marine Resources. (Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** President BUTLAND of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative: CLOUTIER of South Portland. **Public Hearing** 02/12/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/12/96. **Amended by:** CA S-457. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/26/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 567.

LD 1733 SP0673

An Act to Clarify Certain Provisions of Law Pertaining to Lobster Management. (Submitted by the Department of Marine Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator PINGREE of Knox; Cosponsored by Representative: RICE of South Bristol. **Public Hearing** 02/12/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA S-488. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/26/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 568.

LD 1763 HP1282

An Act to Require a Municipality to Issue the Same Number of Nonresident Recreational Shellfish Licenses as Resident Licenses. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative GREENLAW of Standish. **Public Hearing** 02/28/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/06/96.

NATURAL RESOURCES

LD 646 SP0249

Original Title: An Act to Reinstate the Laws Governing Dam Abandonment.

New Title: An Act to Create a Process for Identifying New Owners for Dams or Releasing Current Owners from Water Level Maintenance Obligations.

Presented by Senator HANLEY of Oxford; Cosponsored by Senators: CARPENTER of York, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, Representatives: DEXTER of Kingfield, GOULD of Greenville, JACQUES of Waterville, POULIN of Oakland, UNDERWOOD of Oxford, WATERHOUSE of Bridgton, WINSOR of Norway. **Public Hearing** 03/22/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/19/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-484. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 630.

LD 819 HP0609

An Act to Require Notification to the Landowner When Land Is Being Considered for Placement in a Resource Protection Zone (BY REQUEST).

Public Hearing 04/12/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 02/22/96. **Amended by:** CB H-685, SA/CB S-436. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/19/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 542.

LD 1014 HP0740

Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to Propose a Plan to Reorganize the Department of Environmental Protection. **Presented by** Representative GOULD of Greenville. **Public Hearing** 04/26/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

LD 1042 HP0768

An Act to Amend the Surface Water Ambient Toxics Monitoring Program.

Presented by Representative ETNIER of Harpswell; Cosponsored by Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GATES of Rockport, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, MITCHELL of Portland, SAXL of Bangor, Senators: LONGLEY of Waldo, McCORMICK of Kennebec, MICHAUD of Penobscot, PINGREE of Knox, RAND of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 04/26/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

NATURAL RESOURCES (Cont.)

LD 1608 HP1176

Original Title: An Act Authorizing the Town of Mount Vernon to Withdraw from the Cobbossee Watershed District. **New Title:** An Act Creating a Process for Municipalities to Withdraw from the Cobbossee Watershed District. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative DAMREN of Belgrade; Cosponsored by Senator CAREY of Kennebec and Representative: AULT of Wayne. **Public Hearing** 01/24/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/11/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-734. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/25/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 59.

LD 1610 HP1178

An Act to Enhance Used Oil Recycling Capabilities. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative SAXL of Bangor; Cosponsored by Representative ETNIER of Harpswell and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, DAGGETT of Augusta, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DESMOND of Mapleton, DORE of Auburn, GOULD of Greenville, HARTNETT of Freeport, MITCHELL of Portland, MORRISON of Bangor, O'NEAL of Limestone, SAXL of Portland, STEVENS of Orono, STONE of Bangor, TOWNSEND of Portland, TREAT of Gardiner, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, RAND of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 01/17/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/20/96. **Amended by:** CA H-777. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/28/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 573.

LD 1623 SP0617

Resolve, Authorizing the Dredging of Wells Harbor and Sand Renourishment of Wells Beaches by the United States Army Corps of Engineers. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator LORD of York. **No Public Hearing.** **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1651 HP1201

An Act Concerning the Seasonal Sale of Reformulated Gasoline. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative POULIN of Oakland; Cosponsored by Senator LORD of York and Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, GREENLAW of Standish, NICKERSON of Turner, Senator: RUHLIN of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 02/12/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/11/96. **Amended by:** CA H-741. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/25/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 60.

NATURAL RESOURCES (Cont.)

LD 1658 HP1208

Original Title: An Act Regarding the Cleanup of Uncontrolled Tire Stockpiles.
New Title: An Act to Encourage Tire Stockpile Abatement. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.)
Presented by Representative GOULD of Greenville. **Public Hearing** 02/21/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-768. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/29/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 578.

LD 1659 HP1209

An Act to Allow Municipalities and Regions to Include Beneficial Use of Waste Originated in Their Jurisdiction As Credit in Demonstrating Recycling Progress. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative GOULD of Greenville; Cosponsored by Representative: WATERHOUSE of Bridgton. **Public Hearing** 02/05/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/12/96. **Amended by:** CA H-739. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 552.

LD 1671 HP1221

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Revolving Loan Fund for Wastewater Facilities. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro; Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CLARK of Millinocket, DAGGETT of Augusta, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DUNN of Gray, GREEN of Monmouth, HATCH of Skowhegan, JACQUES of Waterville, MADORE of Augusta, MORRISON of Bangor, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, Senators: BUSTIN of Kennebec, PINGREE of Knox, STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/07/96. **Amended by:** CA H-733. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/25/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 564.

LD 1672 HP1222

An Act to Amend Certain Laws Administered by the Department of Environmental Protection. (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative GOULD of Greenville; Cosponsored by Senator: LORD of York. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. Minority OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CB H-858. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 642.

NATURAL RESOURCES (Cont.)

LD 1721 SP0661

Resolve, to Form a Task Force to Examine Methods of Reimbursing Automobile Owners for Emissions Testing and Consequent Repair Costs (BY REQUEST). (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator CLEVELAND of Androscoggin; Cosponsored by Representative ADAMS of Portland and Senator: LORD of York, Representatives: BUCK of Yarmouth, GERRY of Auburn, GREEN of Monmouth, HATCH of Skowhegan, KONTOS of Windham, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MITCHELL of Portland, ROWE of Portland, SAMSON of Jay, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, TOWNSEND of Portland, VOLENIK of Sedgwick, WATSON of Farmingdale, WINGLASS of Auburn. **Public Hearing** 02/05/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/07/96.

LD 1781 HP1298

An Act to Support Abatement of Uncontrolled Tire Stockpiles. (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Public Hearing** 02/21/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-782. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/29/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 579.

LD 1794 HP1310

Resolve, Directing the Land and Water Resources Council to Take Steps Needed to Ensure Successful Implementation of State Land Use Law Reforms. (Submitted by the Land and Water Resources Council pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 21.) **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. OTP Accepted 03/26/96. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 04/03/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 72.

LD 1804 SP0705

An Act to Grandfather Municipal Ordinances Regulating the Spreading of Sludge. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator LORD of York. **Public Hearing** 02/26/96. House: Minority OTP Accepted 03/22/96, Engrossed 03/22/96, Senate: Majority ONTP 03/14/96, Adhere to Majority ONTP 03/25/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 03/25/96.

LD 1824 SP0720

An Act Relating to Solid Waste Management. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources pursuant to Joint Order S.P. 710.) **No Public Hearing.** OTP-AM Accepted 03/19/96. **Amended by:** CA S-481. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/01/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 588.

NATURAL RESOURCES (Cont.)

LD 1834 SP0730

An Act to Amend the Laws Relating to Regulation of Wetlands. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 460, section 11.) **No Public Hearing.** OTP-AM Accepted 03/19/96. **Amended by:** CA S-483. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/28/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 575.

LD 1838 HP1343

An Act to Remove Statutory References to the Maine Waste Management Agency. (Submitted by the State Planning Office pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 465, Part C.) **Public Hearing** 03/19/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/27/96. **Amended by:** CA H-853. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 656.

LD 1853 HP1352

An Act to Reorganize and Redirect Aspects of the Site Location of Development Laws. (Submitted by the Land and Water Resources Council pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 21.) **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/30/96. **Amended by:** CA H-876. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 704.

LD 1854 HP1353

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Land and Water Resources Council Regarding Gravel Pits and Rock Quarries. (Submitted by the Land and Water Resources Council pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 21.) **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/29/96. **Amended by:** CA H-872. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 700.

LD 1858 SP0748

Original Title: An Act to Establish a General Permit for Agricultural Irrigation Ponds. **New Title:** An Act Regarding Agricultural Irrigation Ponds. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook; Cosponsored by Representative DONNELLY of Presque Isle and Senator PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CLARK of Millinocket, CLUKEY of Houlton, DESMOND of Mapleton, DRISCOLL of Calais, JOY of Crystal, KNEELAND of Easton, O'NEAL of Limestone, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIROIS of Caribou, WHEELER of Bridgewater. **Public Hearing** 03/25/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-531. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 659.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

LD 975 HP0718

An Act to Establish the Department of Health and Family Services. **Presented** by Representative MORRISON of Bangor; Cosponsored by Representatives: CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLARK of Millinocket, FITZPATRICK of Durham, JOSEPH of Waterville, POULIOT of Lewiston, TUTTLE of Sanford, Senator: AMERO of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 05/03/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/27/96.

LD 1185 HP0854

An Act to Give the Washington County Legislative Delegation a Role in the County Budget Process. **Presented by** Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township; Cosponsored by Representatives: BAILEY of Township 27, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LOOK of Jonesboro, Senator: GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock. **Public Hearing** 04/25/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1213 SP0446

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Special Commission on Governmental Restructuring. **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, BUTLAND of Cumberland, CARPENTER of York, CASSIDY of Washington, FERGUSON of Oxford, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, KIEFFER of Aroostook, STEVENS of Androscoggin, Representatives: DEXTER of Kingfield, LANE of Enfield, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SAVAGE of Union, YACKOBITZ of Hermon. **Public Hearing** 05/03/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/20/96.

LD 1443 HP1028

Original Title: An Act to Dismiss Certain Federal Mandates. **New Title:** An Act to Identify New Federal Mandates. **Presented by** Representative GERRY of Auburn. **Public Hearing** 05/17/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/20/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-775. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 591.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Cont.)

LD 1566 HP1122

An Act to Reform the Kennebec County Budget Process. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.)

Presented by Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro. **Public Hearing** 01/16/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/01/96.

LD 1570 HP1125

An Act to Establish a User Fee System for Towns Requiring Sheriff's Services.

Presented by Representative OTT of York; Cosponsored by Representatives: CARLETON of Wells, FARNUM of South Berwick, JOYCE of Biddeford, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, LEMONT of Kittery, MARSHALL of Eliot, MURPHY of Berwick, NADEAU of Saco, Senator: LAWRENCE of York. **Public Hearing** 01/16/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/22/96.

LD 1612 SP0608

An Act to Repeal the Requirement that Disbursement Warrants Receive an Affirmative Vote by Municipal Officers. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, CAREY of Kennebec, CARPENTER of York, CLEVELAND of Androscoggin, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, Representatives: DUNN of Gray, HARTNETT of Freeport, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, REED of Falmouth, SAXL of Bangor. **Public Hearing** 01/16/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/13/96. **Amended by:** CA S-421, SA S-444. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 549.

LD 1615 SP0611

An Act to Amend the Piscataquis County Budget Process. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.)

Presented by Senator HALL of Piscataquis; Cosponsored by Representatives: CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, GOULD of Greenville, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket. **Public Hearing** 01/16/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/13/96. **Amended by:** CA S-423. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/07/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 520.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Cont.)

LD 1617 SP0613

An Act to Establish the Penobscot County Budget Committee. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator HALL of Piscataquis; Cosponsored by Senators: CIANCHETTE of Somerset, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, MICHAUD of Penobscot, RUHLIN of Penobscot, Representatives: BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, HICHBORN of Lagrange, LANE of Enfield, LUMBRA of Bangor, PLOWMAN of Hampden, REED of Dexter, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket. **Public Hearing** 01/16/96. Minority OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA S-476, SA S-586. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 682.

LD 1679 HP1226

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Computer Information Systems. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield; Cosponsored by Senator: BUTLAND of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 03/19/96. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 03/30/96.

LD 1683 HP1230

An Act to Establish the Town Boundary between the Town of Canaan and the Town of Cornville and between the Town of Canaan and the Town of Skowhegan Located in the County of Somerset. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative STEDMAN of Hartland. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP Accepted 03/14/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/26/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 64.

LD 1700 HP1240

An Act to Allow the Removal from Public Office of Certain Elected County Officials. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative BUNKER of Kossuth Township. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-803, HC H-916. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 683.

LD 1701 HP1241

An Act to Reduce the Number of Legislative Confirmation Hearings. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative DAGGETT of Augusta; Cosponsored by Senator: AMERO of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/22/96. **Amended by:** CA H-699. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/05/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 519.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Cont.)

LD 1723 HP1254

Resolve, Authorizing the Sale by the State of a Certain Parcel of Land to Joseph Squeglia. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative DEXTER of Kingfield. **Public Hearing** 01/30/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/29/96. **Amended by:** CA H-717. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 03/20/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 65.

LD 1735 SP0678

An Act to Clarify the Agency Rule-making Process. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 02/13/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/12/96. **Amended by:** CA S-455. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/28/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 574.

LD 1736 HP1259

An Act to Amend the Budget Process in Androscoggin County. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative FITZPATRICK of Durham; Cosponsored by Senator: CLEVELAND of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 02/13/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/06/96.

LD 1745 SP0679

An Act to Establish the Boundary Line between the Town of Cornville and the Towns of Solon and Athens. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator MILLS of Somerset; Cosponsored by Representatives: RICHARD of Madison, STEDMAN of Hartland. **Public Hearing** 02/13/96. OTP Accepted 03/14/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/26/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 65.

LD 1751 HP1275

Resolve, to Authorize the Exchange of a Parcel of Land Owned by the State with One Owned by Luke Bolduc. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative GUERRETTE of Pittston; Cosponsored by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec and Senator: BUSTIN of Kennebec. **Public Hearing** 02/13/96. OTP Accepted 02/29/96. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 03/14/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 62.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Cont.)

LD 1754 SP0685

An Act to Improve the Hancock County Budget Procedure. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator RUHLIN of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Representative POVICH of Ellsworth and Representatives: BIGL of Bucksport, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, FISHER of Brewer, JONES of Bar Harbor, PINKHAM of Lamoine. **Public Hearing** 02/13/96. House: Minority OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96, Engrossed as Amended by CA 03/21/96; Senate: Majority ONTP Accepted 03/21/96, Adhere to Majority ONTP 03/22/96. **Final Disposition:** Died Between Houses 03/22/96.

LD 1790 SP0700

An Act to Implement Performance Budgeting in State Government. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative DAGGETT of Augusta and Senators: BERUBE of Androscoggin, HANLEY of Oxford, Representatives: JOSEPH of Waterville, MORRISON of Bangor, SIMONEAU of Thomaston. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA S-502, SA/CA S-525. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/12/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 705.

LD 1792 SP0703

An Act Concerning the Number of Washington County Commissioners. **Presented by** Senator CASSIDY of Washington; Cosponsored by Representatives: BAILEY of Township 27, DRISCOLL of Calais, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LOOK of Jonesboro. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/20/96. **Amended by:** CA S-487. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/03/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 611.

LD 1810 HP1323

An Act to Amend the Boundary between Berwick and South Berwick. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative FARNUM of South Berwick. **Public Hearing** 03/05/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/12/96.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Cont.)

LD 1821 HP1329

Original Title: Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to Sell or Lease the Interests of the State in Certain Real Estate and Personal Property Held by Various State Agencies at 5 Locations. **New Title:** Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to Sell or Lease the Interests of the State in Certain Real Estate and Personal Property Held by Various State Agencies at 6 Locations. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Public Hearing** 03/12/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-806, SA/CA (Changed Title) S-583. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 04/10/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 80.

LD 1828 HP1333

An Act to Transfer Land from the Town of Brownfield to the Town of Hiram. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative TRUE of Fryeburg. **Public Hearing** 03/12/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-791. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 69.

LD 1844 SP0735

An Act Authorizing County Commissioners to Enact Ordinances Concerning Addressing Standards for Enhanced 9-1-1 Services in the Unorganized Territories. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator AMERO of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representative DONNELLY of Presque Isle and Senators: BENOIT of Franklin, CASSIDY of Washington, HALL of Piscataquis, KIEFFER of Aroostook, MICHAUD of Penobscot, MILLS of Somerset, Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, GOULD of Greenville, LOOK of Jonesboro, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket. **Public Hearing** 03/19/96. OTP Accepted 03/22/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 607.

LD 1859 SP0749

An Act to Authorize the Disposition of Property Interests at the Pineland Center. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** President BUTLAND of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Representatives: AIKMAN of Poland, DUNN of Gray, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HARTNETT of Freeport, TAYLOR of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 03/19/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA S-528, SA/CA S-585. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 79.

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (Cont.)

LD 1872 **SP0760**

Resolve, to Secure a Release of Property from the State. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.)
Presented by Senator McCORMICK of Kennebec; Cosponsored by Representative SHIAH of Bowdoinham and Representative: TREAT of Gardiner.
No Public Hearing. OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA S-536.
Final Disposition: Finally Passed, Signed 04/10/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 81.

TAXATION

LD 167 SP0079

An Act to Decrease the Paperwork Burden on Maine Businesses by Decreasing the Number of Tax Filings for Retailers. **Presented by** Senator FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Senator CARPENTER of York, Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro and Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford, Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, GWADOSKY of Fairfield. **Public Hearing** 03/02/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 490 SP0181

An Act to Establish a State Income Tax Credit for Health Insurance Premiums. **Presented by** Senator HATHAWAY of York; Cosponsored by Representative: JOYCE of Biddeford. **Public Hearing** 04/24/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 550 SP0207

An Act to Clarify the Sales Tax Law Applicable to Packaging. **Presented by** Senator CARPENTER of York; Cosponsored by Senator: LORD of York, Representatives: GIERINGER of Portland, MORRISON of Bangor, O'NEAL of Limestone, TAYLOR of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 04/25/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 02/22/96. **Amended by:** CB S-427, SA/CB S-573. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 634.

LD 586 SP0226

An Act to Establish a Flat Income Tax Rate for Certain Persons. **Presented by** Senator HATHAWAY of York; Cosponsored by Representative: JOYCE of Biddeford. **Public Hearing** 04/24/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

TAXATION (Cont.)

LD 642 SP0245

An Act to Reestablish the Tax Credit for Intrastate Airlines. **Presented by** Senator PARADIS of Aroostook; Cosponsored by Senators: BUSTIN of Kennebec, CAREY of Kennebec, CASSIDY of Washington, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, MICHAUD of Penobscot, PENDEXTER of Cumberland, Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BAILEY of Township 27, CLARK of Millinocket, CLUKEY of Houlton, DESMOND of Mapleton, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, DRISCOLL of Calais, KNEELAND of Easton, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, O'NEAL of Limestone, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIROIS of Caribou, WHEELER of Bridgewater. **Public Hearing** 04/25/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 736 HP0540

An Act to Exempt from the Sales Tax Automobile Equipment Necessary for Paraplegics or People Who are Confined to Wheelchairs. **Presented by** Representative BOUFFARD of Lewiston; Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BERRY of Livermore, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLARK of Millinocket, ETNIER of Harpswell, GERRY of Auburn, GIERINGER of Portland, HARTNETT of Freeport, HATCH of Skowhegan, JACQUES of Waterville, JONES of Bar Harbor, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, LEMKE of Westbrook, LIBBY of Kennebunk, MADORE of Augusta, POULIOT of Lewiston, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, SAMSON of Jay, SAXL of Bangor, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, TOWNSEND of Portland, TRUMAN of Biddeford, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, TUTTLE of Sanford, WINGLASS of Auburn, YACKOBITZ of Hermon, Senators: PARADIS of Aroostook, STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 04/25/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 835 SP0296

An Act to Encourage the Use of Maine Ports by Allowing a State Income Tax Credit on Taxes Assessed by the Federal Government on Shippers. **Presented by** Senator RAND of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Senators: CIANCHETTE of Somerset, LAWRENCE of York, PINGREE of Knox, Representatives: DiPIETRO of South Portland, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, REED of Falmouth, RICHARDSON of Portland. **Public Hearing** 04/06/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

TAXATION (Cont.)

LD 972 HP0715

An Act to Provide a Tax Credit for the Rehabilitation of Historic Properties. **Presented by** Representative DORE of Auburn; Cosponsored by Representative ADAMS of Portland and Representatives: BENEDIKT of Brunswick, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, FISHER of Brewer, JONES of Bar Harbor, LEMAIRE of Lewiston, LOOK of Jonesboro, MERES of Norridgewock, MORRISON of Bangor, POULIOT of Lewiston, SAXL of Bangor, SAXL of Portland, TREAT of Gardiner, TUTTLE of Sanford, Senators: CLEVELAND of Androscoggin, LORD of York, MILLS of Somerset, RAND of Cumberland. **Public Hearing** 04/24/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 1070 HP0773

An Act Regarding Application of the Sales and Use Tax to the Graphics Industry. **Presented by** Speaker GWADOSKY of Fairfield; Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMERON of Rumford, DAGGETT of Augusta, DORE of Auburn, GREEN of Monmouth, HEESCHEN of Wilton, JACQUES of Waterville, JOSEPH of Waterville, MADORE of Augusta, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, POULIN of Oakland, TRIPP of Topsham, TUTTLE of Sanford, VIGUE of Winslow, Senators: BUSTIN of Kennebec, CIANCHETTE of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 05/04/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/12/96.

LD 1073 HP0776

An Act to Exempt Goods Sold by Scouting Organizations from the Sales Tax (BY REQUEST). **Presented by** Representative SAVAGE of Union. **Public Hearing** 05/04/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 1440 HP1025

Original Title: An Act to Establish a Catastrophic Health Care Expense Program. **New Title:** An Act to Repeal the Gross Receipts Tax. **Presented by** Representative TUTTLE of Sanford; Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Livermore, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLARK of Millinocket, DORE of Auburn, GREEN of Monmouth, JACQUES of Waterville, KEANE of Old Town, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MORRISON of Bangor, MURPHY of Berwick, RICHARDSON of Portland, TRIPP of Topsham, TYLER of Windham, Senators: CAREY of Kennebec. **No Public Hearing.** Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-837, SB/CA S-570. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 80.

TAXATION (Cont.)

LD 1458 HP1039

An Act to Provide a New Jobs Tax Credit. **Presented by** Representative SIMONEAU of Thomaston; Cosponsored by Representatives: AIKMAN of Poland, BAILEY of Township 27, BRENNAN of Portland, CAMERON of Rumford, CAMPBELL of Holden, DAMREN of Belgrade, DiPIETRO of South Portland, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, FITZPATRICK of Durham, HARTNETT of Freeport, HEINO of Boothbay, JOSEPH of Waterville, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LEMONT of Kittery, LOVETT of Scarborough, MORRISON of Bangor, OTT of York, POULIOT of Lewiston, SAVAGE of Union, STONE of Bangor, Senators: BEGLEY of Lincoln, CAREY of Kennebec, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, HANLEY of Oxford, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, MICHAUD of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 05/15/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 1476 SP0538

An Act to Establish the Employee Partnership Reward Act. **Presented by** Senator PINGREE of Knox; Cosponsored by Senators: FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, LAWRENCE of York, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: GATES of Rockport, SHIAH of Bowdoinham. **Public Hearing** 05/25/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1521 HP1079

An Act to Make the Maine Income Tax a Percentage of the Federal Income Tax. **Presented by** Representative SIMONEAU of Thomaston; Cosponsored by Representatives: BUCK of Yarmouth, CAMPBELL of Holden, CARLETON of Wells, DiPIETRO of South Portland, HARTNETT of Freeport, JOYNER of Hollis, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, MARVIN of Cape Elizabeth, McALEVEY of Waterboro, NICKERSON of Turner, OTT of York, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket. **Public Hearing** 05/24/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1597 HP1164

An Act to Reduce the State Tax Valuation for the Town of Hope. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative SAVAGE of Union. Carried Over from the First Special Session 11/30/95. **Public Hearing** 01/09/96. OTP-AM Accepted 01/18/96. **Amended by:** CA H-682. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 01/29/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 52.

TAXATION (Cont.)

LD 1603 HP1171

An Act to Establish a Higher Education Tax Credit for Middle-class Families. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative DAVIDSON of Brunswick; Cosponsored by Representative JACQUES of Waterville and Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, AHEARNE of Madawaska, BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BERRY of Livermore, BRENNAN of Portland, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, CAMERON of Rumford, CAMPBELL of Holden, CHARTRAND of Rockland, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, CLARK of Millinocket, CLOUTIER of South Portland, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DAGGETT of Augusta, DESMOND of Mapleton, DRISCOLL of Calais, ETNIER of Harpswell, FITZPATRICK of Durham, GERRY of Auburn, GREEN of Monmouth, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, HARTNETT of Freeport, JONES of Bar Harbor, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, KONTOS of Windham, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, LAYTON of Cherryfield, LIBBY of Buxton, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MAYO of Bath, McELROY of Unity, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, MITCHELL of Portland, NASS of Acton, O'GARA of Westbrook, O'NEAL of Limestone, PAUL of Sanford, POVICH of Ellsworth, REED of Dexter, RICHARDSON of Portland, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, ROWE of Portland, SAMSON of Jay, SAXL of Bangor, SAXL of Portland, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, SIROIS of Caribou, STEVENS of Orono, TREAT of Gardiner, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, TUTTLE of Sanford, VOLENIK of Sedgwick, WATSON of Farmingdale, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, O'DEA of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 1613 SP0609

An Act to Provide Sales Tax Exemption for Generators Leased for Dairy Equipment. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator LAWRENCE of York; Cosponsored by Representatives: MARSHALL of Eliot, MURPHY of Berwick. **Public Hearing** 02/08/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1636 HP1192

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Taxation of Subdivisions. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative FISHER of Brewer; Cosponsored by Representatives: HATCH of Skowhegan, KEANE of Old Town, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, SAXL of Bangor. **Public Hearing** 02/08/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

TAXATION (Cont.)

LD 1655 HP1205

An Act to Conform the Maine Tax Laws for 1995 with the United States Internal Revenue Code. (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative DORE of Auburn; Cosponsored by Senator HATHAWAY of York and Representatives: GREEN of Monmouth, MURPHY of Berwick, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, Senator: CAREY of Kennebec. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. OTP Accepted 02/27/96. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/14/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 538.

LD 1662 HP1212

An Act to Correct a Technical Error Relating to the Research Expense Tax Credit. (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative DORE of Auburn; Cosponsored by Senator HATHAWAY of York and Representatives: DESMOND of Mapleton, DEXTER of Kingfield, GREEN of Monmouth, MURPHY of Berwick, POIRIER of Saco, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, FAIRCLOTH of Penobscot, HANLEY of Oxford. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/06/96. **Amended by:** CA H-727. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 641.

LD 1669 HP1219

Resolve, Authorizing the State Tax Assessor to Convey the Interest of the State in Certain Real Estate in the Unorganized Territory. (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative DORE of Auburn; Cosponsored by Senator HATHAWAY of York and Representatives: GREEN of Monmouth, MURPHY of Berwick, SIMONEAU of Thomaston, Senator: CAREY of Kennebec. **Public Hearing** 02/08/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/05/96. **Amended by:** CA H-723. **Final Disposition:** Finally Passed, Signed 03/20/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 64.

LD 1674 SP0639

An Act to Allow Voluntary Withholding of Federal and State Income Taxes from Unemployment Compensation Benefits. (Submitted by the Department of Labor pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator BEGLEY of Lincoln. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/06/96. **Amended by:** CA S-437. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 554.

TAXATION (Cont.)

LD 1697 HP1237

An Act to Amend the Unorganized Territory Tax Laws. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.)

Presented by Representative DEXTER of Kingfield; Cosponsored by Representatives: BAILEY of Township 27, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, GOULD of Greenville, Senator: MICHAUD of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 02/08/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/07/96. **Amended by:** CA H-736. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/25/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 565.

LD 1710 HP1248

An Act to Simplify Applications for Tax Exemptions for Blind Individuals. (Submitted by the Department of Education pursuant to Joint Rule 24.)

Presented by Representative AULT of Wayne; Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake and Senator: SMALL of Sagadahoc. **Public Hearing** 02/08/96. OTP Accepted 03/05/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/19/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 545.

LD 1711 HP1249

An Act to Ensure Proper Withholding of State Income Tax. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.)

Presented by Representative DORE of Auburn; Cosponsored by Representatives: DESMOND of Mapleton, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, THOMPSON of Naples, TUTTLE of Sanford, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senator: CAREY of Kennebec. **Public Hearing** 02/06/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA H-735, SB/CA S-577. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 646.

LD 1713 HP1251

An Act to Amend the Tax Laws Regarding Retail Business Registration and Penalty Relief to Taxpayers with Extensions. (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative DORE of Auburn; Cosponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford and Representatives: GREEN of Monmouth, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, REED of Falmouth, SPEAR of Nobleboro, TRIPP of Topsham, Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford. **Public Hearing** 02/08/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA H-798. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 640.

TAXATION (Cont.)

LD 1722 HP1253

An Act to Develop the Maine Public Health Improvement Plan. (Submitted by the Maine Health Care Reform Commission pursuant to Public Law 1993, chapter 707, Part AA, section 5.) **Public Hearing** 02/14/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-800. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 598.

LD 1741 HP1266

An Act to Enable the Loring Development Authority to Establish the Loring Job Increment Financing Fund and to Impose Term Limits on Trustees of the Authority. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative O'NEAL of Limestone; Cosponsored by Representative TUTTLE of Sanford and Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CLUKEY of Houlton, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, DESMOND of Mapleton, LAYTON of Cherryfield, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIROIS of Caribou, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senators: KIEFFER of Aroostook, PARADIS of Aroostook. **Public Hearing** 02/29/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-799, SA/CA S-579. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 644.

LD 1748 SP0683

An Act to Make Pension Payments Exempt from State Taxes. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator LAWRENCE of York. **Public Hearing** 02/20/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1749 HP1271

An Act Regarding Municipal Penalties for Late Filing under the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative CLARK of Millinocket; Cosponsored by Representative JOY of Crystal, Senator MICHAUD of Penobscot and Representatives: CLUKEY of Houlton, DEXTER of Kingfield, GOULD of Greenville, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senator: LORD of York. **Public Hearing** 02/20/96. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

TAXATION (Cont.)

LD 1769 SP0695

An Act to Provide a Statute of Limitations for the Assessment of Tax for Which a Return Has Not Been Filed. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator HATHAWAY of York; Cosponsored by Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford, Representatives: BARTH of Bethel, MURPHY of Berwick, POIRIER of Saco, REED of Falmouth, TRIPP of Topsham, TUTTLE of Sanford. **Public Hearing** 02/29/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/12/96.

LD 1771 SP0697

An Act Concerning Technical Changes to the Tax Laws. (Submitted by the Department of Administrative and Financial Services pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator HATHAWAY of York; Cosponsored by Representative TRIPP of Topsham and Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, FERGUSON of Oxford, Representatives: DORE of Auburn, DUNN of Gray, GREEN of Monmouth, MURPHY of Berwick, REED of Falmouth. **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA S-494. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 639.

LD 1775 HP1293

An Act to Exempt Farms from the Sales Tax on Electricity. (Submitted by the Commission to Study Options for Preserving the Dairy Industry in the State pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 35, section 6.) **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 1777 HP1295

An Act to Lessen the Penalty for Withdrawal of Farms from the Farm and Open Space Tax Law. (Submitted by the Commission to Study Options for Preserving the Dairy Industry in the State pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 35, section 6.) **Public Hearing** 02/27/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/19/96. **Amended by:** CA H-767. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 603.

LD 1797 HP1313

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force on Tax Increment Financing. (Submitted by the Task Force on Tax Increment Financing pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 51, section 9.) **Public Hearing** 03/05/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA H-808. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 669.

TAXATION (Cont.)

LD 1837 HP1342

An Act to Establish Municipal Cost Components for Unorganized Territory Services to Be Rendered in Fiscal Year 1996-97. (Submitted by the administrator of the unorganized territory pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, section 1604.) **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/25/96. **Amended by:** CA H-831. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 70.

LD 1839 HP1344

Original Title: An Act to Broaden the Municipal Service Charge. **New Title:** Resolve, to Extend the Reporting Deadline of the Commission to Study the Growth of Tax-exempt Property in Maine's Towns, Cities, Counties and Regions. (Submitted by the Commission to Study the Growth of Tax-exempt Property in Maine's Towns, Cities, Counties and Regions pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 47.) **Public Hearing** 03/19/96. **Final Disposition:** Indefinitely Postponed 04/03/96.

LD 1857 SP0747

Resolve, to Reimburse a Lumber Company in Connection with Sales Tax Paid by the Company. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator BEGLEY of Lincoln. **Public Hearing** 03/25/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/29/96.

TRANSPORTATION

LD 59 SP0029

An Act to Repeal the Sensible Transportation Policy Act. **Presented by** Senator BEGLEY of Lincoln. **Public Hearing** 05/17/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/25/96.

LD 465 HP0345

An Act to Improve the Local Road Assistance Program. **Presented by** Representative ROWE of Portland; Cosponsored by Representatives: MORRISON of Bangor, RICKER of Lewiston, STROUT of Corinth. **Public Hearing** 02/27/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 02/08/96. **Amended by:** CA H-684. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 678.

LD 739 HP0543

Original Title: An Act to Decrease the Burden on the Trucking Industry by Permitting Photocopies of Registrations to Be Kept in Trailers and Semitrailers. **New Title:** An Act to Allow Issuance of Duplicate Registrations for Trailers and Semitrailers. **Presented by** Representative STONE of Bangor; Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMERON of Rumford, CLARK of Millinocket, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, GOOLEY of Farmington, WINGLASS of Auburn. **Public Hearing** 04/04/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 02/08/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-687. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 02/27/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 513.

LD 1639 HP1195

An Act to Amend Certain Motor Vehicle Laws Including Those Affecting the University of Maine System Plate and the Certificate of Lien. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Public Hearing** 01/22/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA H-847, HA/CA H-852, HB/CA H-854, HC/CA H-895. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 645.

LD 1676 HP1223

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Registration Improvement Committee. (Submitted by the Department of the Secretary of State pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative O'GARA of Westbrook. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

TRANSPORTATION (Cont.)

LD 1680 HP1227

An Act Concerning Portable Scale Tolerances on the Interstate Highway System. (Submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.)

Presented by Representative O'GARA of Westbrook; Cosponsored by Senator: STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/20/96. **Amended by:** CA H-695. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/05/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 517.

LD 1681 HP1228

An Act Pertaining to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority. (Submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.)

Presented by Representative O'GARA of Westbrook; Cosponsored by Senators: PARADIS of Aroostook, STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 01/31/96. OTP Accepted 02/15/96. **Amended by:** SA S-445. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/19/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 543.

LD 1682 HP1229

An Act to Transfer the Responsibility for Air Search and Rescue from the Commissioner of Transportation to the Chief of the State Police. (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Representative STROUT of Corinth; Cosponsored by Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DRISCOLL of Calais, FARNUM of South Berwick, HEINO of Boothbay, LINDAHL of Northport, RICKER of Lewiston, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, PARADIS of Aroostook. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/11/96. **Amended by:** CA H-740. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 555.

LD 1687 SP0643

An Act to Make Changes to the Motor Vehicle Laws. (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator STEVENS of Androscoggin; Cosponsored by Senator: CASSIDY of Washington, Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, DEXTER of Kingfield, DRISCOLL of Calais, FARNUM of South Berwick, HEINO of Boothbay, LINDAHL of Northport, O'GARA of Westbrook, PENDLETON of Scarborough, RICKER of Lewiston. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/12/96. **Amended by:** CA S-454. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/01/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 584.

TRANSPORTATION (Cont.)

LD 1690 SP0648

An Act Relating to the Potential Improvement of the Maine Turnpike Authority. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** President BUTLAND of Cumberland; Cosponsored by Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, AMERO of Cumberland, BEGLEY of Lincoln, BENOIT of Franklin, CARPENTER of York, CASSIDY of Washington, FERGUSON of Oxford, HALL of Piscataquis, KIEFFER of Aroostook, LAWRENCE of York, LORD of York, MILLS of Somerset, STEVENS of Androscoggin, Representatives: BAILEY of Township 27, DiPIETRO of South Portland, FARNUM of South Berwick, JOYCE of Biddeford, JOYNER of Hollis, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, LEMONT of Kittery, LIBBY of Buxton, MARSHALL of Eliot, MURPHY of Berwick, PLOWMAN of Hampden, POIRIER of Saco, POULIOT of Lewiston, RICE of South Bristol. **Public Hearing** 02/07/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/14/96.

LD 1734 SP0674

An Act to Amend the Commercial Vehicle Weight Laws. (Submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator STEVENS of Androscoggin; Cosponsored by Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, FARNUM of South Berwick, HEINO of Boothbay, RICKER of Lewiston. **Public Hearing** 02/12/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/06/96. **Amended by:** CA S-438. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/19/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 546.

TRANSPORTATION (Cont.)

LD 1740 HP1265

An Act to Exempt Working Rural Mail Carriers from the Seat Belt Law. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative STEDMAN of Hartland; Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, AIKMAN of Poland, BIGL of Bucksport, BIRNEY of Paris, BUCK of Yarmouth, CAMERON of Rumford, CAMPBELL of Holden, CARR of Hermon, CHICK of Lebanon, CLARK of Millinocket, CLUKEY of Houlton, CROSS of Dover-Foxcroft, DAMREN of Belgrade, DEXTER of Kingfield, DORE of Auburn, DUNN of Gray, GERRY of Auburn, GOOLEY of Farmington, GOULD of Greenville, HARTNETT of Freeport, HATCH of Skowhegan, HEINO of Boothbay, HICHBORN of Lagrange, JACQUES of Waterville, JONES of Pittsfield, JOSEPH of Waterville, JOY of Crystal, JOYNER of Hollis, KNEELAND of Easton, LABRECQUE of Gorham, LANE of Enfield, LEMKE of Westbrook, LEMONT of Kittery, LIBBY of Kennebunk, LIBBY of Buxton, LOOK of Jonesboro, MAYO of Bath, McALEVEY of Waterboro, McELROY of Unity, PEAVEY of Woolwich, PERKINS of Penobscot, PINKHAM of Lamoine, POIRIER of Saco, POVICH of Ellsworth, REED of Dexter, RICE of South Bristol, RICHARD of Madison, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, ROSEBUSH of East Millinocket, SAMSON of Jay, SAVAGE of Union, SIROIS of Caribou, SPEAR of Nobleboro, STROUT of Corinth, TAYLOR of Cumberland, TUFTS of Stockton Springs, VIGUE of Winslow, VOLENIK of Sedgwick, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senators: HARRIMAN of Cumberland, MILLS of Somerset, PARADIS of Aroostook. **Public Hearing** 02/21/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-747, HA/CA (Changed Title) H-758. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 597.

LD 1782 HP1299

An Act to Create the Motor Carrier Training Advisory Board. (Submitted by the study committee on motor carrier training pursuant to Public Law 1995, chapter 376, section 5.) **Public Hearing** 02/26/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA H-748, HA/CA H-807. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/02/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 605.

LD 1815 HP1325

An Act to Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds for the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1997. (Submitted by the Maine Turnpike Authority pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 1961, subsection 6.) **Public Hearing** 03/11/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA H-846. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/05/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 73.

TRANSPORTATION (Cont.)

LD 1826 SP0724

An Act to Allow a Change in the Speed Limit on Certain Highways. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator O'DEA of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 03/13/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/14/96.

LD 1829 HP1335

Original Title: Resolve, to Name a Portion of Highway in Millinocket in Honor of Prisoners of War and Those Designated as Missing in Action. **New Title:** Resolve, to Name a Portion of Highway in Millinocket in Honor of Prisoners of War and Those Designated as Missing in Action and to Name Portions of Roads That Follow the St. George River. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative CLARK of Millinocket; Cosponsored by Senator STEVENS of Androscoggin and Representatives: CARR of Hermon, CHICK of Lebanon, MORRISON of Bangor, O'NEAL of Limestone, PAUL of Sanford, STROUT of Corinth, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senators: CARPENTER of York, CIANCHETTE of Somerset, MICHAUD of Penobscot. **Public Hearing** 03/13/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA H-788, HA/CA (Changed Title) H-851. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Finally Passed, Signed 04/03/96, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 73.

LD 1830 HP1336

Original Title: An Act to Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1996 and June 30, 1997. **New Title:** An Act to Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund, Allocations from Other Funds and a General Fund Appropriation and to Amend Certain Transportation Laws. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative STROUT of Corinth; Cosponsored by Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, FARNUM of South Berwick, HEINO of Boothbay, O'GARA of Westbrook, RICKER of Lewiston, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, PARADIS of Aroostook. **Public Hearing** 03/13/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-848. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 83.

TRANSPORTATION (Cont.)

LD 1836 HP1341

An Act Requiring Qualified Investigation of Certain Truck-related and Bus-related Fatalities. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative LEMKE of Westbrook; Cosponsored by Representatives: BENEDIKT of Brunswick, BUCK of Yarmouth, CHIZMAR of Lisbon, KERR of Old Orchard Beach, TRIPP of Topsham. **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/22/96.

LD 1864 HP1359

An Act to Facilitate the Implementation of a Logo Sign Program on the Interstate. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation pursuant to Joint Order H.P. 1340.) **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/29/96. **Amended by:** CA H-849. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 663.

LD 1871 SP0759

Original Title: An Act to Amend the Maine Turnpike Authority's Budget for Calendar Year 1996. **New Title:** An Act to Amend the Maine Turnpike Authority's Budget for Calendar Year 1996, to Clarify the Maine Turnpike Authority's Budget Process and to Facilitate the Evaluation of Automated Toll Collection. (Submitted by the Maine Turnpike Authority and approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 24.) **Presented by** Senator STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) S-519, SA/CA S-523. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/03/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 613.

UTILITIES AND ENERGY

LD 734 HP0538

An Act to Revise the Ogunquit Sewer District Charter. **Presented by** Representative CARLETON of Wells; Cosponsored by Senator: LAWRENCE of York. **Public Hearing** 03/30/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

LD 828 HP0618

Original Title: An Act to Provide Public Access to the Information Superhighway through Enhanced Library Telecommunications. **New Title:** An Act to Provide Affordable Access to Information Services in All Communities of the State through Enhanced Library and School Telecommunications. **Presented by** Representative TREAT of Gardiner; Cosponsored by Representatives: ADAMS of Portland, CHARTRAND of Rockland, CHASE of China, DAGGETT of Augusta, DAVIDSON of Brunswick, GATES of Rockport, GERRY of Auburn, GREEN of Monmouth, GREENLAW of Standish, HARTNETT of Freeport, HATCH of Skowhegan, JOSEPH of Waterville, KILKELLY of Wiscasset, KONTOS of Windham, LaFOUNTAIN of Biddeford, MADORE of Augusta, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, MAYO of Bath, MITCHELL of Vassalboro, PERKINS of Penobscot, ROWE of Portland, SAXL of Bangor, SHIAH of Bowdoinham, STEVENS of Orono, TOWNSEND of Portland, VOLENIK of Sedgwick, WATSON of Farmingdale, Senators: CAREY of Kennebec, CARPENTER of York, ESTY of Cumberland, GOLDTHWAIT of Hancock, HARRIMAN of Cumberland, HATHAWAY of York, LAWRENCE of York, McCORMICK of Kennebec, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook. **Public Hearing** 04/24/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. Majority OTP-AM Accepted 03/28/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-832. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 631.

LD 871 HP0648

An Act Concerning the Calculation of Private Fire Protection Charges. **Presented by** Representative ADAMS of Portland; Cosponsored by Representatives: SAXL of Bangor, STONE of Bangor, Senators: ABROMSON of Cumberland, CLEVELAND of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 05/01/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

UTILITIES AND ENERGY (Cont.)

LD 1533 HP1089

An Act to Require the Public Utilities Commission to Ensure Telecommunications Service in Economic Development Areas. **Presented by** Representative DONNELLY of Presque Isle; Cosponsored by Representatives: GOOLEY of Farmington, GUERRETTE of Pittston, JOYCE of Biddeford. **Public Hearing** 06/01/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/05/96.

LD 1565 HP1121

An Act to Create the Prospect Water Authority. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative WHITCOMB of Waldo; Cosponsored by Representative: TUFTS of Stockton Springs. **Public Hearing** 06/14/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1567 HP1123

An Act to Facilitate Sewer and Water Main Extensions. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative OTT of York; Cosponsored by Senator: STEVENS of Androscoggin. **Public Hearing** 06/14/95. Carried Over from the First Regular Session 06/30/95. OTP-AM Accepted 04/03/96. **Amended by:** CA H-796. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/10/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 636.

LD 1600 HP1168

An Act to Amend the Charter of Milbridge Water District. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative LAYTON of Cherryfield. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/15/96. **Amended by:** CA H-690. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/05/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 55.

LD 1602 HP1170

Original Title: An Act to Amend the Bowdoinham Water District Charter. **New Title:** An Act to Amend the Bowdoinham Water District Charter. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative SHIAH of Bowdoinham. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/15/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-691. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/05/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 56.

UTILITIES AND ENERGY (Cont.)

LD 1605 HP1173

An Act to Amend the Charter of the East Pittston Water District. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.)

Presented by Representative GUERRETTE of Pittston. **Public Hearing** 01/08/96. OTP-AM Accepted 02/15/96. **Amended by:** CA H-692. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/05/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 57.

LD 1616 SP0612

An Act Relating to Pole Attachment Rate Disputes. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator CARPENTER of York; Cosponsored by Senators: BUTLAND of Cumberland, FERGUSON of Oxford, HATHAWAY of York, KIEFFER of Aroostook, LAWRENCE of York, MICHAUD of Penobscot, O'DEA of Penobscot, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: CARLETON of Wells, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, GIERINGER of Portland, GUERRETTE of Pittston, GWADOSKY of Fairfield, JACQUES of Waterville, JONES of Bar Harbor, KONTOS of Windham, LUTHER of Mexico, MURPHY of Berwick, O'NEAL of Limestone. **Public Hearing** 01/22/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/20/96.

LD 1620 HP1181

An Act to Amend the Charter of the East Boothbay Water District. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative HEINO of Boothbay; Cosponsored by Representative: KONTOS of Windham, Senator: BEGLEY of Lincoln. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA H-750, HA/CA H-760. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/26/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 62.

LD 1631 HP1190

An Act to Increase the Borrowing Capacity of the Ashland Water and Sewer District. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative DESMOND of Mapleton. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/14/96. **Amended by:** CA H-761. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 03/26/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 63.

UTILITIES AND ENERGY (Cont.)

LD 1638 **HP1194**

Original Title: An Act to Revise the Charter of the Boothbay Harbor Water System. **New Title:** An Act to Revise the Charter of the Boothbay Harbor Water System. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative HEINO of Boothbay; Cosponsored by Senator: BEGLEY of Lincoln, Representative Kontos of Windham. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/21/96. **Amended by:** CA (Changed Title) H-795. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 74.

LD 1641 **SP0633**

An Act to Amend the Maine Sanitary District Enabling Act. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Senator CIANCHETTE of Somerset. **Public Hearing** 01/29/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/15/96.

LD 1668 **HP1218**

An Act to Protect Sources of Drinking Water in the Towns of Searsport, Stockton Springs and Prospect. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26.) **Presented by** Representative POVICH of Ellsworth; Cosponsored by Representatives: McELROY of Unity, TUFTS of Stockton Springs. **Public Hearing** 02/12/96. **Final Disposition:** Majority ONTP Accepted 03/12/96.

LD 1752 **HP1276**

An Act to Merge the Charter of the Jackman Water and Sewer Districts. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative DEXTER of Kingfield. **Public Hearing** 02/22/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 02/29/96.

LD 1768 **HP1288**

An Act to Standardize the Creation of Water Districts. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy pursuant to Joint Rule 19.) **Public Hearing** 02/28/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/22/96. **Amended by:** CA H-811. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/05/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 616.

UTILITIES AND ENERGY (Cont.)

LD 1783 HP1302

An Act to Repeal the Sunset and Reporting Requirements Regarding Transportation of Unscheduled Freight in Casco Bay. (GOVERNOR'S BILL). **Presented by** Representative ADAMS of Portland; Cosponsored by Representatives: GIERINGER of Portland, KONTOS of Windham, Senator: CARPENTER of York. **No Public Hearing.** OTP Accepted 03/07/96. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 03/20/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 559.

LD 1793 SP0704

An Act to Extend the Electric Rate Stabilization Projects. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator KIEFFER of Aroostook; Cosponsored by Senators: AMERO of Cumberland, CARPENTER of York, PARADIS of Aroostook, Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, CLARK of Millinocket, CLUKEY of Houlton, DESMOND of Mapleton, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, KNEELAND of Easton, KONTOS of Windham, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, O'NEAL of Limestone, ROBICHAUD of Caribou, SIROIS of Caribou, WHEELER of Bridgewater. **Public Hearing** 03/04/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/13/96. **Amended by:** CA S-458. **Final Disposition:** Emergency Enacted, Signed 04/11/96, PUBLIC LAWS, Chapter 698.

LD 1816 SP0713

An Act to Create Uniformity in the Granting of Electric and Gas Utility Easements. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Senator LAWRENCE of York. **Public Hearing** 03/05/96. **Final Disposition:** Accepted, (ONTP) Pursuant to Joint Rule 15 03/12/96.

LD 1869 HP1361

An Act to Increase the Debt Limit of the Madawaska Water District. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.) **Presented by** Representative AHEARNE of Madawaska. **Public Hearing** 03/20/96. OTP-AM Accepted 03/26/96. **Amended by:** CA H-845. **Final Disposition:** Enacted, Signed 04/08/96, P & S LAWS, Chapter 75.

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