

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
STATE GOVERNMENT
BILL SUMMARY



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651 RESOLVE, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR Kelly PASSED-
OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO CONVEY RESOLVE 4
BY DEED THE INTEREST OF THE STATE
OF MAINE IN 3 CERTAIN PARCELS OF
REAL PROPERTY

SUMMARY: ID 652 proposed to transfer title from the State of 3.7 acres of land in the town of Rockport, 5.3 acres of property in Bristol and 2.67 acres in Mt. Desert to the respective towns. All of the properties are recreational lands with boat launching sites. The state purchased, with some federal funds, the Rockport properties for \$110,000 in August, 1970, the Bristol properties for \$50,000 in December, 1970, and the Mt. Desert properties for \$28,000 in 1971. The Department of Conservation is unable to maintain the properties and proposed to transfer the properties to the municipalities at no cost. The properties must be used for recreational purposes and be open to the public.

662 AN ACT TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF THE Violette ENACT. PL 101
STATE SALARY COMMISSION TO INCLUDE
MEMBERS OF THE JUDICIARY, CONSTITU-
TIONAL AND LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS

SUMMARY: ID 662 proposed to allow the State Salary Commission to review and study salaries for legislators, constitutional officers, justices and judges, Clerk of the House, Secretary of the Senate, and representatives of the Indian Tribes.

665 AN ACT RELATING TO THE PURCHASING Murphy ENACT. PL 25
AND PRINTING OF FORMS FOR STATE
GOVERNMENT

SUMMARY: ID 665 is a new draft of ID 91. The new draft allows the State Purchasing Agent to establish dates by which standard forms may be ordered by state departments and agencies. The purpose of this bill is to allow the State to realize savings from volume purchasing and printing of forms.

714 AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF PUBLIC Lewis ONTP
FUNDS FOR LOBBYING

SUMMARY: ID 714 proposed to prohibit any organization, agency, or department from using state funds to lobby. The term "lobbying" was not defined, and the bill could have been interpreted to include testimony at public hearings as lobbying. In addition, indirect receipt of state monies could have prevented many organizations or persons, including custodians, employees of the State, etc., from lobbying.

One intention of the bill was to prevent departments from lobbying after having provided testimony at a public hearing and following a committee vote on a bill.