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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

Labor

BILL SUMMARY



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Office of Legislative Assistants State House, Station 13 Augusta, Maine 04333 (207) 289-2486 AN ACT CONCERNING CHARGES TO ACRI - Callahan LV/WD CULTURAL SEASONAL EMPLOYERS FOR Dow BENEFITS PAID TO UNEMPLOYED WORKERS McCollister Hichens

SUMMARY: Closes loophole in seasonality provisions of the unemployment laws which charges all unemployment benefits against the experience rating of the most recent seasonal employer if the worker has not worked in seasonal industry before, rather than allocating benefits between seasonal and nonseasonal employers.

NOTE: The topic of seasonality will be addressed by the study commission authorized under LD 490.

1280 AN ACT RELATING TO OVERTIME PAY Michael ONTP(acc.)
Beaulieu Acc. rep.
Kany

SUMMARY: Employees of agricultural enterprise who are not exempt from the minimum wage law are also made subject to the overtime provisions of the law.

1284 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION Manning PL 1983, c. 129
OF APPROVED TRAINING IN THE UNEM- Beaulieu (ND of LD 499)
PLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROGRAM

SUMMARY: A claimant shall not be denied unemployment compensation benefits if in training as approved for him by the Employment Security Commission with the advice and consent of the Commissioner of Labor.

NOTE: See also LD 1771 on approved training.

1309 AN ACT TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL EM-Beaulieu Carryover to PLOYEES COLLECTIVE BARGAINING LAW next session TO MAKE MANPOWER ISSUES A MANDATORY SUBJECT OF BARGAINING

SUMMARY: Manpower issues for firefighters made a working condition, and thus negotiable.

NOTE: Carried over pending results of M.L.R.B. case.

1319 AN ACT TO REVISE THE UNIVERSITY OF Hayes PL 1983, c. 153
MAINE ARBITRATION PROCEDURES Baldacci (ND of LD 610)
Murray

SUMMARY: Intended to lessen administrative delay in making a determination of impasse when application is made to the M.L.R.B. to initiate arbitration; clarifies procedures by which arbitrators are selected when a list of an odd number of arbitrators is supplied to the parties ("Alternate Strike" procedure).