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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 111th Legislature. The summaries are arranged alphabetically, and indexed separately by committee.

1899	AN ACT TO PERMIT SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS TO ACQUIRE CERTAIN SMALL PARCELS OF LAND WITHOUT FOLLOWING THE SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT APPROVAL PROCESS	Laplante Matthews Crouse	OTP PL 1984, C. 640
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SUMMARY: Previously, all land acquisitions went through the approval process for school construction projects. The bill allows parcels of land which are not connected to school construction projects to be purchased without the state board and referendum procedures required for construction projects. The cost of the land can be included under general operating costs in the subsidy formula.

1914	AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION	A. Brown Crouse Soucy Locke	OTP PL 1984, C. 613
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SUMMARY: Previously there was a confusion in the definition of school construction projects concerning major restorations. The bill makes it clear that only major renovations which are carried out in lieu of replacing the building(s) can be included as school construction and included in the debt service portion of the School Finance Act. Other renovations are included as minor capital costs under general operating costs.

1916	AN ACT TO ALLOW COORDINATION OF SERVICES TO PRESCHOOL HANDICAPPED CHILDREN BELOW THE AGE OF 3 YEARS	Benoit Locke Lisnik Hayes	OTP PL 1984, c. 624
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SUMMARY: The bill allows the Preschool Coordination Projects to coordinate services for children from birth through age 5 years. The present law restricted the projects to serve children ages 3 years through 5 years. Since physicians and the service agencies for which the Projects help coordinate services do not use the 3-5 year designation, it was logical for the projects to serve all children birth through 5.

1953	AN ACT RELATING TO CONFERRING OF DEGREES BY THE YACHT DESIGN INSTITUTE SCHOOLS	Perkins Hayes Bott Thompson	OIP-A P&S, C. 64
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SUMMARY: This bill allows YDI of Blue Hill to confer associate degrees.