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#### STATE OF MAINE

## ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JULY 1985

This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

LD:

41 AN ACT RELATING TO CONFERRING OF DEGREES
BY THE YACHT DESIGN INSTITUTE SCHOOLS

PERKINS BROWN L

BROWN A

OTP

HOUSE Enacted SENATE Enacted GOV SIGNED P AND S CH # 2

S-002 SA DANTON

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#### SUMMARY:

This bill allows the YDI to confer the degree of Associate in Applied Science on students who successfully complete the residential program. Previous law allows that degree to be conferred on those who have completed the home study program.

LD:

AN ACT TO AMEND THE COMMUNITY SCHOOL
DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S ABILITY TO MAKE
ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENTS

WENTWORTH BROWN A

OTP

HOUSE Enacted SENATE Enacted GOV SIGNED PUBLIC CH # 12

#### SUMMARY:

Community School Districts (CSDs) and School Administrative Districts (SADs) are both multi-town forms of school organizations. Their school boards have roughly the same powers and duties. Both boards can call special budget meetings in the case of financial emergencies to ask the voters to authorize the board to borrow the additional funds needed to operate the schools. CSD boards could also ask the voters at these special budget meetings to approve a "special assessment on the member municipalities." While generally never used, the imposition of a special tax assessment on municipalities after their town budgets and tax rates have been set was felt to impose an unnecessary burden on the towns. The bill removes the authority of the special budget meetings in CSDs to impose additional assessments. retains the voters authority in these budget meetings to authorize the CSD board to borrow money.