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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
STATE GOVERNMENT  
BILL SUMMARY



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(MSHA) which are independent state agencies. In addition, these agencies do not rely on state funding for the most part, to operate. As a result, the Maine State Retirement System was able to purchase the Canal Bank building in Augusta despite protests to this action.

The Committee Amendment, as amended by Senate Amendment "A", prohibits FAME, the MSRS, and the MSHA from purchasing property for their office space without approval from the Governor. These agencies, however, could purchase property for investment purposes without approval from the Governor. FAME and the MSHA often acquire property as a result of defaults in loan payments, and gubernatorial approval of these acquisitions could be time consuming and costly.

LD: 787 AN ACT CONCERNING LAND CONVEYED BY THE STATE TWITCHELL  
TO THE TOWN OF BRIDGTON JACKSON

OTP HOUSE Enacted PUBLIC  
SENATE Enacted CH # 153  
GOV SIGNED

SUMMARY:

LD 787 restricts the use of revenues derived from the sale of land originally owned by the State and conveyed to the town of Bridgton at no cost to the town. The bill limits expenditures from the proceeds to income derived from the investment of the land sale monies. As a result, the principal will be kept in tact, and interest monies only, will be used to purchase property for public use.

LD: 803 AN ACT TO RAISE THE AMOUNT OVER WHICH PRAY  
CONTRACTORS MUST SEEK MUNICIPAL BONDING

OTP-AM HOUSE Enacted PUBLIC  
SENATE Enacted CH # 154  
GOV SIGNED

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SUMMARY:

LD 803, in its original form, proposed to increase the amount from \$10,000 to \$50,000 over which surety bonds are required of contractors for municipal construction contracts.

The Committee Amendment changed the figure to \$25,000 and over for which surety bonds are required. The bonding companies and private contractors suggested this figure which is also the current of the State for state construction projects.