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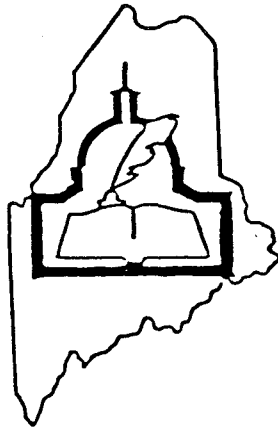
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BILL SUMMARY



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BILL SUMMARIES  
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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 First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

LD: 855 AN ACT AMENDING THE MAINE JUVENILE CODE TO  
PROVIDE FOR DIAGNOSTIC EVALUATION FOR  
BIND-OVER PURPOSES

STEVENS P  
BRANNIGAN  
WARREN

OTP HOUSE Enacted  
SENATE Enacted  
GOV SIGNED

PUBLIC  
CH # 213

SUMMARY:

Makes it clear that, under the Maine Juvenile Code, a court must order a diagnostic evaluation when the State represents that it requires the information in order to make a decision whether or not to bind-over a juvenile, alleged to have committed a juvenile crime for trial as an adult. Under current law, the State must first move to bind over before an evaluation may be ordered. This bill allows for evaluations with the consent of the juvenile prior to a motion to bind-over.

LD: 856 AN ACT CONCERNING REDUCTION OF DAMAGES FOR  
PERSONS NOT WEARING SAFETY BELTS OR HELMETS

KIMBALL  
CAHILL  
RACINE  
BERUBE

ONTP HOUSE Accepted Committee Report  
SENATE Accepted Committee Report  
GOV

H-239 CA MIN REP

SUMMARY:

Sought to provide that a front seat passenger in a motor vehicle, who did not wear a seat belt, would have any damages awarded to him in a civil action based on an accident involving the vehicle reduced by 20%. The same reduction would have applied to persons not wearing safety helmets while operating motorcycles or recreational vehicles.

The minority Committee Amendment sought to limit the reduction of adult passengers and operators, and to exclude the application of the reduction in wrongful death actions.