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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: 860 AN ACT TO PREVENT CRIMINALS FROM PROFITING
AS AN INDIRECT RESULT OF THEIR CRIME

SEAVEY
MAYBURY
DUTREMBLE

LV-WD HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

Sought to restrict criminals from prospering financially from crime, through movies, books, etc. which recreate the story of the crime, by placing any money earned by a convicted person or accused person in an escrow account, with the funds be paid to victims of the crime who have won a money judgment against the person.

LD: 861 AN ACT TO REINSTATE THE DEATH PENALTY

CALLAHAN
MCBREAIRTY
CONNERS

LV-WD HOUSE Accepted Committee Report
SENATE Accepted Committee Report
GOV

SUMMARY:

Sought to provide the possibility of the death penalty for the crime of murder committed under certain circumstances. Would have required approval of the voters at referendum before the death penalty would have become part of Maine law.

LD: 899 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH PILOT INDIGENCY
SCREENING UNITS FOR COURT APPOINTED COUNSEL

CARPENTER
KANE
CHALMERS
SEWALL

OTP-AM HOUSE Indef. PP
SENATE Indef. PP
GOV

S-91 CA MAJ REP H S

SUMMARY:

As amended, sought to establish a pilot project in one county for the screening of claims of indigency, and the need for appointed counsel, by criminal defendants. The Division of Probation and Parole would have conducted the screening against standards established by the Supreme Judicial Court. Included a fiscal note of \$20,931 for FY 1985-86 and \$27,179 for FY 1986-87.