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BILL SUMMARY


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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the ll2th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

All Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if. it is a floor amendment or the designation "CA" if it is a committee amendment. If the amendment was adopted in the House, the letter $H$ appears after the sponsor. If it was adopted in the Senate, the letter $S$ appears.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

| OTP | Ought to Pass |
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| OTP-ND | Ought to Pass in New Draft |
| OTP-ND-NT | Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title |
| OTP-AM | Ought to Pass as Amended |
| ONTP | Ought Not to Pass |
| LVWD | Leave to Withdraw |
| INDEF PP | Indefinitely Postponed |

Sponsor: ROLDE
Committee Report: OTP-ND-NT, ONTP
SUMMARY: The Committee reported out a new draft (LD 1615)during the First Regular Session which was enacted by theLegislature but held by the Governor. The new draft wasrecommitted to Committee in January, and another new draft(LD 2281) was reported out.See new draft, LD 2281.
LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS WITH ..... LVWD
904 REFERENCE TO OPERATING UNDER THE INFLUENCE TODECRIMINALIZE PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE TRAFFICINFRACTION LAWS
Sponsor: STETSON
Committee Report: ..... LVWD
SUMMARY: This bill was submitted in response to theSupreme Judicial Court of Maine decision in State $v$.Freeman which struck down the civil operating under theinfluence provisions as unconstitutional. This proposalreinstates a civil OUI offense by requiring the policeofficer to determine whether or not arresting the driver atthe scene is appropriate. The bill was carried-over fromthe First Regular Session for redrafting.
The new draft reinstates a civil OUI offense, allowing the first offender to choose, in certain situations, to have a criminal trial on the criminal OUI offense, or a civil trial on a lesser civil offense.
The Committee chose to not amend the OUI laws again, believing that the current system is working well enough that no changes are absolutely necessary.
LD RESOLVE, AUTHORIZING COLWELL CONSTRUCTION ..... INDEF PP
1467 COMPANY, INCORPORATED, TO BRING A CIVIL ACTIONAGAINST THE STATE OF MAINE
Sponsor: BUSTIN, Hickey
Committee Report: OTP-AM, ONTP
S-242 CA ..... H ..... S

