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ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

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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: 1154 AN ACT TO EXPAND THE VICTIM'S RIGHTS LAWS

BEAULIEU

OTP-AM

HOUSE Enacted SENATE Enacted GOV SIGNED PUBLIC CH # 266

H-175 CA

H S

SUMMARY:

Permits the victim of a Class A, B, or C crime to request notification of the release of the perpetrator from a Maine Correctional facility.

LD: 1161

AN ACT CONCERNING COVERAGE OF CERTAIN TRIALS
BY THE ELECTRONIC MEDIA

WARREN STEVENS P DIAMOND J

OTP-AM

HOUSE Enacted SENATE Enacted

GOV HELD TO NEXT SESSION

H-275 CA MAJ REP

H S

SUMMARY:

Seeks to permit the taking of photographs and radio and television broadcasting of judicial proceedings in Superior and District Court. The photography and broadcasting is to be permitted upon the promulgation of, and in accordance with, rules adopted by the Supreme Judicial Court. Proposes a sunset date of November 1, 1987.

LD:

1162 AN ACT TO ENHANCE ENFORCEMENT OF DRUG LAWS AT THE LOCAL LEVEL

BELL SMITH C B DRINKWATER CHALMERS

L.U.-WD

HOUSE Accepted Committee Report SENATE Accepted Committee Report GOV

SUMMARY:

Sought to include real property in the property subject to forfeiture to the State because of its connection to a violation of criminal drug laws. Also provided for money and proceeds for forfeitures to be set aside for the use of the State, county or municipality, depending upon which entity made the seizure. Also permitted fines in cases of drug offenses to be related to the amount of money derived by the defendant from the criminal activity or to the value of the drugs involved, and set aside fines paid as the result of a conviction under Maine's drug laws to any county or municipality which did the investigation and made the arrest.