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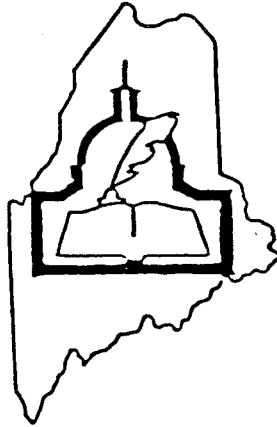
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BILL SUMMARIES  
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

LD: 1238 AN ACT CONCERNING APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL FOR INDIGENT CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS WARREN STEVENS P GAUVREAU CARPENTER

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

SUMMARY:

Sought to require that a court make specific findings prior to appointing counsel in a criminal case. It would also have required that the defendant file an affidavit setting forth his financial means and have required the defendant to inform the court if his financial status changed.

LD: 1239 AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT BAKER H

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

SUMMARY:

Sought to establish civil and criminal causes of action for violation of constitutional rights and establish a Civil Rights and Liberties Division within the Department of the Attorney General.

LD: 1248 RESOLVE, CREATING A COMMISSION TO STUDY PROCEDURES FOR EXERCISING THE LEGISLATIVE POWERS OF IMPEACHMENT AND ADDRESS PRAY MARTIN J CARPENTER KANE

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

SUMMARY:

Sought to establish a commission -- composed of legislators, members of the Judicial Department, and public members -- to study the procedures for exercising the powers of impeachment and address. (A similar study will be done by a subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee with a report to the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature.)