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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND COMMERCE 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.

SUMMARY:

LD 1487 makes several changes to the Code. It establishes a uniform period for record retention for all creditors and lessors, allows mortgage companies to lend on property other than principal residences, and clarifies consumer remedies.

Committee amendment A (S-166) adds several provisions. A creditor providing credit insurance on open-end credit must inform the consumer at least annually of his right to cancel. Creditors must send a Notice of Right to Cure at least once annually if consumer again goes into default and send cure notices to the consumer's last known address rather than his residence. The period in which consumers may cure a default is shortened by 6 days.

LD: 1488 AN ACT TO AMEND THE MAINE INSURANCE GUARANTY

ASSOCIATION ACT

DANTON ALIBERTI TELOW

OTP

HOUSE Enacted SENATE Enacted GOV SIGNED PUBLIC CH # 279

SUMMARY:

The bill makes several changes to the Insurance Guarantee Association Act which governs the association of insurers which would become obligated to pay claims if a member insurer becomes insolvent. The major change is increasing the maximum obligation from \$150,000 to \$300,000.

LD: 1489

AN ACT AUTHORIZING MUTUAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO REORGANIZE INTO MUTUAL HOLDING COMPANIES

TRAFTON

HOUSE Ref'd to Committee SENATE Ref'd to Committee GOU

SUMMARY:

The title explains the bill's purpose. Because of committee concerns about allowing mutuals to expand into new areas, when they historically have functioned in a unique manner, this bill has been held over to the Second Regular Session.

LD: 1498 AN ACT RELATING TO PREARRANGED FUNERALS OR

GAUVREAU

BURIAL PLANS

HANDY NICKERSON

ND: 587

WARREN

HOUSE Enacted SENATE Enacted GOV SIGNED PUBLIC CH # 240