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BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES MAY 1986

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 112th 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:

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

<u>SUMMARY:</u> This resolve authorizes Colwell Construction Company, Inc., to sue the State to solve a dispute over payment for work done for the State.

The Committee Amendment (Majority report) authorizes Colwell to enter into binding arbitration with the State to resolve the dispute.

The resolve was finally passed as amended during the First Regular Session, but the Governor held the resolve. The Legislature called back the resolve and indefinitely postponed it after the dispute was settled.

LD AN ACT TO FURTHER COMPETITION IN THE LIQUOR 1615 TRADE

ND LD 2281

Sponsor: ROLDE

Committee Report: New Draft of LD 17

H-258 REEVES H-259 HIGGINS H-288 HIGGINS

H-290 HIGGINS H S

<u>SUMMARY:</u> This new draft was enacted by the Legislature but the Governor did not sign it. The Legislature called back the bill from the Governor in January and recommitted it to Committee. The Committee reported it out as a new draft (LD 2281). For summary of LD 1615 see Bill Summaries for First Regular Session, 112th Legislature.

See new draft, LD 2281.

LD AN ACT TO ALLOW MUNICIPAL OFFICERS TO DELEGATE PL 1985
1686 THEIR AUTHORITY TO LICENSE CATERED OFF-PREMISE C. 549
FUNCTIONS

Sponsor: REEVES, Macomber, Dillenback, Rioux Committee Report: OTP-AM

H-507 CA H S

<u>SUMMARY:</u> Current law requires municipal officers to license catering services on a case-by-case basis. This bill allows the municipal officers to designate another person to approve these licenses.

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The Committee Amendment requires that the designated person be a municipal official.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO PENOBSCOT NATION GAME
1691 WARDENS

ND LD 2190

Sponsor: CASHMAN, Pearson Committee Report: OTP-ND

SUMMARY: See new draft, LD 2190.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATE ON WHICH QUARTERLY
1713 CAMPAIGN REPORTS ARE DUE

PL 1985 c. 566

Sponsor: MAYO, Chalmers, Handy, Warren

Committee Report: OTP-AM

H-515 CA

H S

SUMMARY: This bill extends the date on which the quarterly campaign financing report is due to the 15th day, instead of the 1st day, of the next quarter.

The Committee Amendment changes the due date of all gubernatorial and other candidates' quarterly campaign reports to the 15th day of the quarter. In addition, the first quarterly report is not due until the 15th day of the quarter which begins at least 90 days after the election.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS RELATING TO
1769 INVESTIGATIVE INFORMATION OF THE STATE FIRE
MARSHAL'S OFFICE

PL 1985 C. 552 EMERGENCY

Sponsor: PAUL, Paradis, P., Rioux, Allen

Committee Report: OTP-AM

H-497 CA

H S

<u>SUMMARY:</u> This bill clarifies that information in the custody of the office of State Fire Marshal may not be released if it would hinder law enforcement proceedings or cause problems in certain enumerated areas.

The Committee Amendment corrected two clerical errors.