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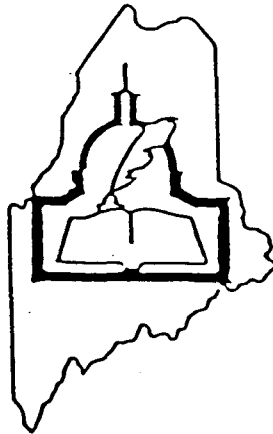
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged 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:

OTP	Ought to Pass
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
ONTF	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

SUMMARY: See LD 2224.

LD AN ACT CONCERNING SELF-INSURANCE POOLS AMONG ND LD 2263
1708 PUBLIC AGENCIES FOR TORT AND PROPERTY
LIABILITY

Sponsor: PRAY, Brannigan, Murphy, T., Kerry
Committee Report: OTP-ND-NT

SUMMARY: See LD 2263.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE POSTGRADUATE TRAINING PL 1985
1716 REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSURE OF PHYSICIANS c. 542

Sponsor: DAGGETT, Carroll, Nelson, Bustin
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: The bill adjusts the 1983 amendment to the Medical Practice Act to address an unforeseen inequity. The 1983 amendment increased the postgraduate educational requirement from 1 year to 2. A small group of physicians in family practice or emergency room specialties are board certifiable, board certified, or board eligible on the basis of practice eligibility clauses but are not eligible for licensure in Maine because they have had only one year of postgraduate education. This bill allows this narrow group, that graduated between January 1, 1970 and July 1, 1982, to be eligible for licensure in the State, if they meet other requirements.

LD AN ACT TO PERMIT MOBILE BANKING IN RURAL MAINE ND LD 2055
1727

Sponsor: MARTIN, H., Simpson, Rotondi, Matthews, Z.
Committee Report: OTP-ND, ONTP

SUMMARY: See LD 2055.

LD AN ACT TO EXPAND INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PL 1985
1728 STATE-CHARTERED CREDIT UNIONS c. 533

Sponsor: RYDELL, Martin, H., Telow, Bustin
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill provides state-chartered credit unions with the same investment opportunities as are provided for federally-chartered credit unions. Under this bill state-chartered credit unions will be able to invest in mutual funds or trusts.

LD AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY
1731 PROVISIONS OF THE MAINE BANKING CODE

ND LD 2159

Sponsor: ALIBERTI, Stevens, P., Murray, Sewall
Committee Report: OTP-ND

SUMMARY: See LD 2159.

LD AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT OF
1732 INSURANCE TO PROMULGATE RULES RELATING TO
COORDINATION OF GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE
BENEFITS

PL 1985
c. 526

Sponsor: MURRAY, Kerry, Brannigan, Rydell
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill authorizes the Superintendent of Insurance to adopt rules relating to coordination of benefits payable between two or more health insurance plans under which a person may be covered. No such authority currently exists, and rules are necessary to avoid claim delays and misunderstandings concerning coverage.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO THE SURPLUS LINES
1733 INSURANCE LAW

PL 1985
c. 564

Sponsor: MURRAY, Bustin, Stevens, P., Armstrong
Committee Report: OTP-AM

H-519 CA H S

SUMMARY: This bill requires an insurance agent or broker to place all transactions of "surplus lines" insurance with a licensed surplus lines broker in order to give the Bureau of Insurance the ability to monitor this type of business. The Committee Amendment (H-519) removes a provision that made insurance agents and brokers the responsible parties for determining whether insurers are authorized and adds a provision to clarify their responsibilities.