

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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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

P&SL 1985  
C. 86

**SUMMARY:** The New England Board of Higher Education has established the New England Regional Student Program under the New England Higher Education Compact. Under that program, students living in one New England state may enroll in programs at public institutions of higher education in other New England states at a tuition rate less than the normal out-of-state tuition, if a similar program is not available at a public institution in the student's home state. Currently, the Maine Maritime Academy is unable to participate in the Regional Student Program because its charter precludes it from admitting out-of-state students at rates less than normal out-of-state tuition rates. This bill amends the academy's charter to allow it to participate fully in the program. All other post-secondary educational institutions in Maine are already participating members of this New England Regional Program.

P&SL 1985  
c. 583

H-539 CA H S

**SUMMARY:** The federal government provides aid to local communities with military installations to compensate for lost property tax revenues and to support educational services for children of military personnel. States which have a formula to equalize the burden of education on taxpayers can apply certain portions of the federal aid to the State's share of education costs. The bill makes it clear which portions of the federal aid can be used to defer State costs and which portions of the federal aid are specifically left as additional support to the local school unit. The Committee Amendment makes a technical change in the language of the bill.