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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

HUMAN RESOURCES

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

AN ACT TO EXCLUDE OUT-OF-STATE REVENUE SOURCES FROM THE HOSPITAL COST CONTAINMENT LAW

LVWD

Sponsor: ROLDE

Committee Report: LVWD

<u>SUMMARY:</u> This bill sought to exempt revenue derived from the care of nonresidents from consideration under the Health Care Finance Commission laws since it was thought that usage by nonresident patients was not considered in Certificate of Need determinations. The sponsor requested leave to withdraw when it was discovered usage by nonresident patients is currently being considered in the Certificate of Need process.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE MAINE HEALTH CARE FINANCE
1965 COMMISSION LAWS WITH RESPECT TO THE CERTIFICATE
OF NEED DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT, RECOGNITION OF
CERTAIN OPERATING COSTS, REPEAL OF PROVISIONS
GOVERNING REORGANIZATIONS AND AFFILIATED
INTERESTS, STREAMLINING OF PROCEDURE AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES

ND LD 2372

Sponsor: TWITCHELL, Crowley, Taylor, Perkins Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 2372

<u>SUMMARY:</u> This bill sought to make the following changes in the Maine Health Care Finance Commission law:

- 1. to require the commission to make adjustments to financial requirements for unforeseen or uncontrollable events to the full extent that these costs are not otherwise specifically included in the commission's regulations;
- 2. to require adjustment to financial requirements costs related to regulatory requirements, including appeals of commission decisions, medical malpractice insurance premiums and other reasonable and legitimate operating costs not adequately included in the commission's economic trend factors;
- 3. to require adjustment to financial requirements for costs associated with the addition of new facilities, equipment or services which are not subject to approval under the Maine Certificate of Need Act.
- 4. to establish parameters of 1% to 3% of total hospital revenues for the value of the Certificate of Need Development Account;
- 5. to repeal provisions of the law requiring the commission to offset the depreciation of donor restricted gifts for movable equipment;