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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

LD 2131

Sponsor: BRANNIGAN, Mayo, Jackson

Committee Report: OTP-A(Maj), ONTP(Min)

H-650 CA H S

SUMMARY: Requires all state licensing authorities to submit lists of persons holding professional, trade or business licenses to the State Tax Assessor by April 1, annually. If the State Tax Assessor found that a licensed person, after notice, had failed to file a required tax return, the State Tax Assessor could require the licensing agency to refuse to renew the license.

LD AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT AND 2165 APPEALS

ND LD 2364

Sponsor: CASHMAN, Martin J, Emerson, Ingraham Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 2364

<u>SUMMARY:</u> Original bill summarized here. See also new draft, LD 2364. Contains the recommendations of the Speaker's Select Committee on Property Tax reform. Original bill contained the following provisions:

- 1. Appeals. Establishes a State Board of Property Tax Review to take the place of the Municipal Valuation Appeals Board, the Land Classification Appeals Board and the State Board of Assessment Review and fulfill some additional functions.
- 2. Real estate transfer tax disclosure. Provides for the disclosure by municipal officials of relevant information on the real estate transfer tax disclosure of value form to persons who are seeking a property tax abatement.
- 3. Electric generating facilities. Provides that the State Tax Assessor will value utility electric generating facility property and that municipalities will be required to use that value in local valuations.
- 4. Assessing firms. Provides that the State Tax Assessor will establish guidelines for professional assessing firms and provide technical assistance to municipalities.
- 5. Just value. Provides that in determining just value, an assessor must consider functional and economic obsolence.