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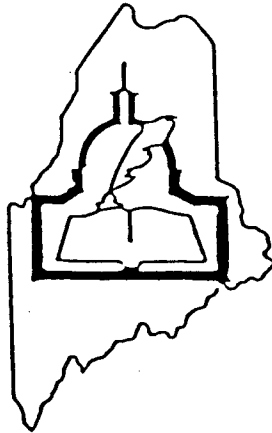
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged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

LD AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE RENT PROFITEERING LAW LVWD
2114

Sponsor: CONNOLLY, Najarian
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: Current law prohibits landlords from charging "unreasonable or unjust" rents. This bill defines unreasonable or unjust rent in terms of a fair return on the owner's equity.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO THE COLLECTION OF SUMS DUE LVWD
2152 FOR RENT AND DAMAGES IN ACTIONS FOR FORCIBLE
ENTRY AND DETAINER

Sponsor: GAUVREAU, Handy, Murphy, E.
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: Current law prohibits any action for collection of back rent with a forcible entry and detainer action. This bill would allow the joinder of a collection action with an action for immediate possession. This bill conflicts with the district court rules of civil procedure.

LD	AN ACT RELATING TO PENOBSCOT NATION GAME	PL 1985
2190	WARDENS	C. 633

Sponsor: CASHMAN, Pearson
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1691

SUMMARY: Current law does not give game wardens of the Penobscot Nation any powers outside of their territory and trust land. The original bill (LD 1691) grants the Penobscot wardens all the powers of state game wardens statewide.

The new draft requires that before Penobscot wardens are granted the powers of state wardens, they must meet the qualifications that all state wardens must meet. The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife may revoke those powers for good cause shown, and must hold a subsequent hearing under the Maine Administrative Procedure Act if requested.