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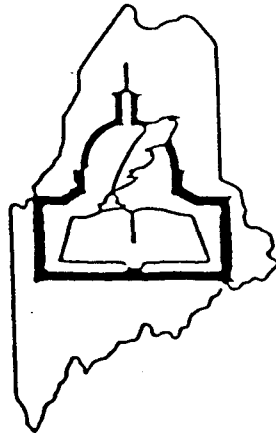
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged 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
ONT	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

LD AN ACT RELATING TO THE MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES LVWD
2128 COMMISSION'S REGULATION OF CABLE TELEVISION
COMPANIES

Sponsor: VIOLETTE, Paradis, P.
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: Cable Television Companies pay public utilities when they attach their cable to utility poles. Present law, enacted in 1984, gives the PUC jurisdiction over such pole attachments and allows PUC to set rates if the Cable TV Company and the Utility cannot reach agreement.

The bill deletes PUC jurisdiction over Cable TV pole attachments.

LD 2166	AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF MUNICIPALITIES TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO WATER AND SEWER DISTRICTS	PL 1985 c. 674 EMERGENCY
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Sponsor: PRAY, Vose
Committee Report: OTP-AM

S-445 CA H S

SUMMARY: The bill authorizes municipalities to provide financial assistance to municipal or quasi municipal sewer districts just as present law allows for water districts. The Committee Amendment (S-445) amends the language of the emergency preamble to make it clear that the town could have proceeded under their home rule authority.

LD	AN ACT TO STUDY ESTABLISHMENT OF AN EMERGENCY	P&SL 1985
2255	9-1-1 SYSTEM IN HEAVILY POPULATED AREAS	c. 114

Sponsor: SWAZEY, M., Chonko, Weymouth, Baldacci
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1047

SUMMARY: This new draft establishes a temporary 9-1-1 study commission to study implementation of the 9-1-1 emergency telephone system in heavily populated areas with a report to the Legislature January 1, 1987. Members are designated by the Greater Portland Council of Governments, the York County Commissioners and the Penobscot Valley Council of Governments. The \$3,000 is appropriated for the purpose.