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## STATE OF MAINE

# ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

## JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

#### BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES MAY 1986

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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 2293 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM FLAT RATE REIMBURSEMENT AND TO PROVIDE A PERIODIC COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT IN THE STATE REIMBURSEMENT TO BOARDING CARE FACILITIES

MIN RPT NOT ACCEPTED

Committee Report: ND Min. Rpt. of LD 2046 with new title

SUMMARY: This new draft replaces the original bill as the minority report of the Committee. It deletes the provision concerning reasonable cost reimbursement and sets a minimum flat rate reimbursement of \$600 (a \$187 increase over the current rate of \$413). This rate is increased on January 1, 1987, and each year thereafter by an inflation factor. This new draft also retains the current provisions of the law, without change, concerning reimbursement for adult foster homes which was inadvertently repealed in the original bill.

LD AN ACT TO OBTAIN INFORMATION FROM THE CONSUMER
2297 ADVISORY BOARD, THE COMMISSIONER OF MENTAL
HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION AND THE MENTAL
HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

PL 1985 c. 712

Sponsor: PRAY, Bustin, Carroll, Nelson Committee Report: New draft of LD 2037

SUMMARY: The new draft of LD 2037 replaces the original bill. It requires the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Human Resources on the activities of the Consumer Advisory Board and through that report inform the Legislature of the status of the State's compliance with the terms of the Pineland Consent Decree. It also expresses the desire of the committee to have the Consumer Advisory Board attend the meeting and provide an independent report of its activities to the committee. The Consumer Advisory Board was established by federal court as part of the Pineland Consent Decree to monitor its implementation.

In addition, it requires the Mental Health Advisory Council to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Human Resources each legislative session.

Finally, this new draft makes 3 technical corrections:

- 1. changing 6 years to 5 years to make the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 34-B, section 5003, subsection 2, consistent with other parts of the law;
  - 2. correcting a reference to a department; and
- 3. correcting the reference to a legislative committee.

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