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All Adopted 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 "COMMITTEE" if it is a committee amendment.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

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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-A	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP .	Indefinitely Postponed

LDAN ACT TO ESTABLISH A MAINE HIGH-RISK INSURANCELVWD106ORGANIZATION TO MAKE HEALTH INSURANCE AVAILABLELVWDTO PEOPLE WHO ARE UNABLE TO OBTAIN HEALTHINSURANCE FOR HEALTH REASONS (REPORTED PURSUANTTO A STUDY BY THE HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE)

Sponsor: Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill was a result of a study by a joint select committee conducted in the fall of 1986. It establishes the Maine High-Risk Insurance Organization to make health insurance available to individuals who are unable to obtain adequate health insurance because of pre-existing health conditions. The bill provides guidelines for benefits, deductibles, co-payments, eligibility and a waiting period for pre-existing conditions. The bill provides for a buy out of the waiting period and a subsidy plan for low income. The bill also provides that any costs above premium income will be paid from the general fund.

Another bill, LD 974, which is similar to this one, was introduced during this session. See also LD 1770, the new draft of LD 974.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUAL ND LD 1270 130 PUBLIC SELF-INSURERS UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT

Sponsor: BUSTIN, Collins, Simpson, Ogara Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1270

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 1270.

LDAN ACT TO ESTABLISH A FLUCTUATING CREDIT CARDLVWD164CHARGE RELATIVE TO THE PRIME RATE

Sponsor: PRAY, Martin, J., Joseph Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill limits the interest which may be charged on lender credit cards to no more than 6 percentage points above the index rate. The Superintendent is given authority to set the index rate based on the auction average for United State Treasury bills.