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BILL SUMMARY



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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. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

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

LD RESOLVE, TO ESTABLISH A STUDY TO SET STANDARDS RESOLVE 1987
964 FOR DRIVING WHEN UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS c. 21
OTHER THAN ALCOHOL

Sponsor: MAYO, Melendy, Kilkelley, Bustin
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: Current law sets the blood-alcohol concentration level at which point a person is legally considered under the influence. There is no such level for any other drug even though the law prohibits operating a motor vehicle under the influence of any intoxicating drug. This resolve requires the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Planning Committee to study impairment levels for drugs other than alcohol, and to report its findings and recommendations to the Second Regular Session of the 113th Legislature. See also LD 1618 (Judiciary).

LD AN ACT RELATING TO POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES PL 1987
966 UNDER THE CAMPAIGN FINANCING LAWS c. 160

Sponsor: HANDY, Mayo, Kany, Estes
Committee Report: OTP-A
Amendments Adopted:
H-95 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: Current law does not address the reporting requirements of exploratory committees. This bill defines "exploratory committee" and requires each one to file the same reports that political committee authorized by a candidate must file. These reports are not required under current law because the person has not officially been declared a candidate.

The bill deletes references to "other committees" because "other committees" must also report as political action committees.

The bill would also limit expenditures by political action committees to \$2,500 per candidate per election.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-95) amends the title and removes the change proposed concerning PAC expenditures.