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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 AN ACT TO REQUIRE CANDIDATES REQUESTING BALLOT
1064 INSPECTION TO PAY FOR THIS SERVICE

PL 1987
c. 258

Sponsor: ROTONDI, Bickford, Matthews, Z.
Committee Report: OTP-A
Amendments Adopted:
H-147 COMMITTEE
H-179 PRIEST

SUMMARY: This bill requires candidates to pay for ballot inspections if the vote differential is greater than a certain percentage. The amount of the deposit varies with the number of votes cast in the election, and will be returned if the inspection results in a change in the result.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-147) makes the requirement apply to all elections for state offices, not just municipal elections.

House Amendment "A" (H-179) clarifies that the deposit will be returned if the inspection results in a recount which results in a change in the outcome of the election. The amendment also clarifies that the inspection deposit is in addition to a recount deposit.

LD AN ACT CONCERNING THE FILING OF NOMINATING
1084 PETITIONS FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE

LVWD

Sponsor: DIAMOND, Garland, Hussey, Baldacci
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill would allow extra time to complete nomination petitions if the reason the petition was deficient was because a municipal registrar failed to perform any ministerial duty.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO THE MAINE STATE LOTTERY
1105 AND THE TRI-STATE LOTTERY

ONTP

Sponsor: SCARPINO
Committee Report: ONTP (Majority)
OTP (Minority)

SUMMARY: This bill would parallel the New Hampshire law which earmarks excess revenues from lottery and Tri-State Lotto funds for state aid to education. The money from the special fund would be distributed according to a formula so that those school administrative units paying a higher percentage of education costs would receive the most money from the fund.