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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JUNE 1987

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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

LD AN ACT TO PROVIDE SPECIAL PLATES OR PLACARDS
1685 FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS

PL 1987 c. 298

Sponsor: ANDREWS, Gwadosky, Dow, Gill Committee Report: Amendments Adopted: S-106 CAHILL

SUMMARY: The bill reinstates the authority of the Secretary of State to issue special designated license plates to handicapped persons. It assures qualified handicapped persons the choice of designating license plates or placards.

The Senate amendment, as enacted, makes handicapped persons who have registered motorcycles eligible to receive special designating registration plates.

LD 1718 AN ACT RELATING TO LOCAL BRIDGES

PL 1987 c. 325

Sponsor: STROUT D, Nadeau GG, Callahan, Cahill Committee Report: New draft of LD 925

SUMMARY: The original bill makes minor adjustments to the local bridges legislation passed by the ll2th Legislature. First, it specifies that the town must notify the Department of Transportation of the town's approval of the project. Second, it permits local bridges to be built by local forces if approved by DOT's Chief Engineer. Third, it makes the State responsible for capital improvements and maintenance of bridges crossing federally designated systems.

The new draft adds to the original bill and makes it clear that the State is also responsible for State owned and State-aid bridges on any federally designated system. The local share of costs for townway bridges on a federally designated highway shall not exceed the cost as calculated under the Local Bridge program.

LD RESOLVE, THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE PREPARE A 1726 REVISION OF THE STATE'S MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS

RESOLVE 1987 c. 33 EMERGENCY

Sponsor:

Committee Report: OTP

<u>SUMMARY:</u> The resolve gives the Secretary of State the authority and funds to contract for the recodification of the Maine Motor Vehicle Laws.

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