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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
MAY 1988**

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 for floor amendments. Final action is listed to the right of the title. If final House and Senate action differ, both are listed. Committee Reports and Floor Action are indicated as follows::

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| 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 |

Each individual summary was prepared by the analyst assigned, as noted for each committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including Secretaries: Charlene Brann, Janet Jean, Earl Knox, Valarie Parlin; Research Assistant Hartley Palleschi. Finally, Secretary Laurette Knox, Legal Assistant Carolyn Chick, and Research Assistant Robert Dunn had special responsibilities in the preparation of the overall document.

Please give us your suggestions and comments on these summaries and tell us of any inaccuracies.

LD An Act to Continue State Benefits to Retired Teachers who INDEF PP
2547 have Joined a New Insurance Plan upon Retirement

SPONSOR(S)
WILLEY
HICKEY
RANDALL

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

New Draft Of LD 2130

The intent of both the original bill and the new draft was to include teachers who had 25 years of service or who were employed as a teacher at least one year prior to reaching normal retirement age but who had been left out of a bill last session providing for State payment of 10% of the health insurance premiums of retired teachers. The new draft limited the State's payment to 10% of the premium for the medicare companion plan for teachers. Neither bill required the insurance carriers providing group plans for teachers to accept new retiree members.

LD An Act to Correct Inequities in the Maine State Retirement PUBLIC
2548 System 823

SPONSOR(S)
CLARK N
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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-507 HICKEY

SUMMARY

New Draft Of LD 1947

Existing law limits eligibility for a survivor's benefit to a members spouse, children, or parents. The bill would have provided a \$150 a month survivor's benefit to any designated beneficiary. The new draft restricts the benefit to a beneficiary who is permanently mentally incompetent or physically incapacitated; a minor under the age of 18, 22 if a student; an adult who has the care of the deceased members minor children; or an adult age 60 or older, or delayed until the adult reaches age 60. It also enacted these provisions as an option for participating local districts.