

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**BILL SUMMARIES  
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ON  
HUMAN RESOURCES**

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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 volume is organized alphabetically by committee; within each committee, the summaries are arranged by LD number. A subject index is provided at the beginning of each committee's summaries.

All adopted amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H - 584 or S - 222), together with the sponsor for floor amendments. Final action on each bill is listed to the right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

<b>PUBLIC XXX</b>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Public Law</i>
<b>P&amp;S XXX</b>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Private &amp; Special Law</i>
<b>RESOLVE XXX</b>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Resolve</i>
<b>CON RES XXX</b>	<i>Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses</i>
<b>EMERGENCY</b>	<i>Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days</i>
<b>CARRIED OVER</b>	<i>Bill carried over to 2nd Session</i>
<b>FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT</b>	<i>Bill failed to get 2/3 vote</i>
<b>ONTP</b>	<i>Ought Not to Pass report accepted</i>
<b>LVWD</b>	<i>Leave to Withdraw report accepted</i>
<b>INDEF PP</b>	<i>Bill Indefinitely Postponed</i>
<b>DIED BETWEEN BODIES</b>	<i>House &amp; Senate disagree; bill died</i>
<b>VETO SUSTAINED</b>	<i>Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto</i>
<b>UNSIGNED</b>	<i>Not signed by Governor within 10 days</i>
<b>DIED ON ADJOURNMENT</b>	<i>Action incomplete when 1st session ended</i>

These summaries were prepared by the analyst or analysts assigned to the committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including secretaries: Charlene Raymond and Valarie Parlin, and especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

If you have any suggestions or comments on these summaries, please let us know.

## Joint Standing Committee on Human Resources

**LD 16**      **An Act to Ensure Smoke-free Areas in the Workplace**      **ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
TRACY MANNING	ONTP	

### SUMMARY

Current law requires employers to establish a written policy that prohibits smoking except in designated smoking areas. This bill requires that designated smoking areas in workplaces be structurally enclosed.

**LD 29**      **An Act to Expand the Elderly Low Cost Drug Program**      **LV/WD**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
LARRIVEE	LV/WD	

### SUMMARY

The bill adds kidney disease medication to the categories of drugs covered under the Low Cost Drugs for the Elderly Program.

**LD 48**      **An Act to Amend the Elderly Low-cost Drug Program**      **LV/WD**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BALDACCI DUFFY RUHLIN	LV/WD	

### SUMMARY

The bill adds Alzheimer's disease medication to the categories of drugs covered under the Low Cost Drugs for the Elderly Program.

**LD 64**      **An Act to Provide Funds for Women with Substance Abuse Problems**      **P & S 18**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MATTHEWS CARTER BUSTIN	OTP-AM	S-182

### SUMMARY

This bill provides funds to develop a halfway house in Winslow, Maine for women with substance abuse problems.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-182) replaces the bill and directs the Office of Substance Abuse to develop a needs assessment for chemically dependent women, seek federal demonstration project grants and assist private agencies to seek grants for projects for chemically dependent women. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.