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**BILL SUMMARIES
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ON
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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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AUGUST 1991**

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:

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

3. Amends the causes for disciplinary action to include failing to comply with a commission order or consent agreement;
4. Amends the list of reasons why a license may be denied to include failing to meet the professional qualifications for a license;
5. Amends the law on inactive licenses to permit both resident and nonresident licensees to place their license on the inactive status; and

House Amendment "A" makes a technical correction to existing law by incorporating the text of a headnote into the text of a subsection to clarify the reach of an exception to the law.

LD 120 An Act to Amend the Board of Counseling Professionals LV/WD
Licensure Laws

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

SUMMARY

At present the Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure is comprised of 13 members including one nonvoting member who is a counselor "currently not qualified for licensure." This bill increases the size of the board to 14 members and includes 2 voting members who are counselors not licensed under this chapter but who are eligible for registration and must be registered by October 1, 1992.

LD 204 An Act to Amend the State Architect Licensure Laws LV/WD

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

SUMMARY

This bill amends the state architects licensure laws by expanding the work that may be done without an architect license to include any residence up to a 4-plex unit and remodeling or alteration of existing buildings.

LD 209 An Act to Amend the Maine Uniform Transfers to Minors Act to PUBLIC 141
Permit the Holding of Custodial Property Registered under a
Street or Nominee Name

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BALDACCI	OTP-AM	S-77

SUMMARY

The intent of the original bill was to allow securities held for a minor by a financial institution to be carried in the name of the institution, not the individual.

By utilizing the language recommended by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, Committee Amendment "A" clarifies the bill. It also places it in the section of law recommended by the Conference.