

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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115TH LEGISLATURE**

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**BILL SUMMARIES  
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ON  
HUMAN RESOURCES**

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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
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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.

**LD 356      An Act to Provide Funds for Family Support Services      LV/MD**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MATTHEWS MARTIN J	LV/WD	

**SUMMARY**

The bill provides funds to Mainely Families, Inc. to continue family support groups in the State.

**LD 359      An Act to Provide Funds for Additional Adult Day Care Services      LV/MD**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BUSTIN GOODRIDGE TREAT CONLEY	LV/WD	

**SUMMARY**

The bill provides additional funds to the Bureau of Elder and Adult Services for adult day care.

**LD 360      An Act to Provide Advocacy for Children Involved with Abuse Investigations      ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BUSTIN KETOVER ERWIN TREAT	ONTP	

**SUMMARY**

The bill requires the Department of Human Services to appoint an advocate for each child who is the subject of an abuse or neglect investigation. The advocate would serve the best interests of the child and ensure that trauma to the child is minimized.

**LD 367      An Act Regarding the Availability of Counseling Services in York County      LV/MD**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
DUTREMBLE D	LV/WD	

**SUMMARY**

The bill provides additional funds to York County Counseling Services, Inc. for outpatient mental health services.