

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE  
115TH LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
AND  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

**BILL SUMMARIES  
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON  
TRANSPORTATION**

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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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BILL SUMMARIES  
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:

<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 564**

**Resolve, to Provide for a Commemorative Motor Vehicle Plate to Celebrate the Bicentennial of the Town of Bucksport**

**LV/WD**

**SPONSOR(S)**  
SWAZEY  
GOULD R R

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
LV/WD

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This resolve would have authorized the Bucksport Bicentennial Committee to design, distribute and sell commemorative license plates to be displayed from January 1, 1992 to December 31, 1992.

Currently, 29 MRSa §100-A allows for this type of commemorative plate with the authorization of the Secretary of State. Consequently, a resolve was not necessary to allow the Bucksport plate.

**LD 597**

**An Act Requiring Motor Vehicle Operators to Furnish Their Date of Birth upon the Request of a Law Enforcement Officer**

**PUBLIC 65**

**SPONSOR(S)**  
DUPLESSIS  
RICHARDS  
SAVAGE  
HOLLOWAY

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
OTP-AM

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
H-54

**SUMMARY**

This bill requires all motor vehicle operators to give their date of birth at the request of a law enforcement officer. Current law already requires operators to give their correct name and address to a law enforcement officer upon request.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-54) adds a fiscal note to the bill.

**LD 607**

**An Act Regarding Amber Lights on Snowplows and Sanding Equipment**

**PUBLIC 61**

**SPONSOR(S)**  
STROUT  
MACOMBER  
GOULD R R  
MARTIN H

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
OTP-AM

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
H-59

**SUMMARY**

Current law establishes the required size of amber strobe lights based on the size, in inches, of the light. Technology has developed smaller-sized lights with greater candlepower and some Department of Transportation and municipal vehicles have these newer lights. This bill authorizes the use of these newer lights.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-59) adds conforming language regarding the use of amber strobes to two other provisions of the law.