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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
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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.

**An Act Providing a Procedure for the Termination of the Degree-granting Authority of Educational Institutions**

SPONSOR(S)  
BRAWN  
ESTES  
CROWLEY

COMMITTEE REPORT  
OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED  
H-73 CROWLEY

**SUMMARY**

Under current law, initial degree-granting authority is conferred upon educational institutions by special act of the Legislature. This bill described the circumstances and established a procedure under which the State Board of Education could revoke that degree-granting authorization. The bill also excluded the University of Maine System and the Maine Technical College System from the operation of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, chapter 409.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-73) added a fiscal note to the original bill.

**LD 749****An Act to Provide Funds for the Montpelier Museum in Thomaston**

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)  
MAYO  
SKOGLUND  
MELENDY  
BRAWN

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

**SUMMARY**

This bill provides funding of \$75,000 for repairs at the Montpelier Museum in Thomaston.

**LD 760****An Act Regarding Recertification of Previously Certified Teachers and Other Educators**

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)  
MORRISON  
CROWLEY

COMMITTEE REPORT  
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have provided that educational personnel (teachers, administrators and other professional educators) who held valid certificates when the new certification laws (20-A MRSA, chapter 502) were enacted may, at their option, renew those certificates at each subsequent expiration date according to either the renewal requirements of the old certification laws (20-A MRSA, chapter 501) in effect at the time the certificate was issued or the new certification requirements of chapter 502.