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**STATE OF MAINE
115TH LEGISLATURE**

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AND
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**BILL SUMMARIES
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ON
AGING, RETIREMENT AND VETERANS**

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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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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.

LD 901 **An Act to Amend the Maine Judicial Retirement System Laws** **INDEF PP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
JALBERT GAUVREAU	OTP-AM	H-618

SUMMARY

This bill allows members of the judiciary to include certain service in the United States Armed Forces as creditable service for purposes of the retirement laws.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-618) adds a fiscal note to the bill.

LD 909 **An Act to Provide Public Access One Weekend a Month to the Veterans' Memorial Cemetery** **PUBLIC 247**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
TITCOMB JACQUES MCCORMICK CLARK N	OTP-AM	S-138

SUMMARY

This bill requires weekend visiting hours for one weekend each month at the Veterans' Memorial Cemetery.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-138) changes the requirement in the original bill that the Maine Veterans' Memorial Cemetery be open one weekend each month to a requirement that the cemetery be open one Saturday or Sunday each month.

LD 938 **An Act to Equalize Health Benefits for State Retirees Eligible for Medicare** **ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
LIPMAN DONNELLY STEVENSON	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill requires the State to pay the Medicare premiums that the retiree is currently required to pay and to pay for a supplemental group policy that has the effect of making the coverage, allowable fees and deductibles the same for Medicare retirees as for other retirees.