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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:

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 1405 An Act to Provide Confidentiality for the Records of
Individuals Who Receive Funds from a Community Development
Program Created Pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes,
Title 30-A, Chapter 205**

PUBLIC 322

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
CLEVELAND EMERSON	OTP-AM	S-157

SUMMARY

This bill permitted records of individuals who receive assistance from a community development program pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, chapter 205 remain confidential.

Committee Amendment "A" added a fiscal note to the bill.

**LD 1426 An Act to Expand the Conflict of Interest Laws for
Employees of the Maine State Housing Authority**

PUBLIC 476

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
OLIVER GEAN KILKELLY ADAMS	OTP-AM	H-466

SUMMARY

This bill proposed to repeal and replace the statutory provision requiring commissioners and employees of the Maine State Housing Authority to abstain from voting on issues that pose a conflict of interest.

Committee Amendment "A" replaced the bill, and added additional restrictive language to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 4724, subsection 2, which prohibited employees from voluntarily obtaining interest in any project that would place them in conflict of interest during their tenure as employees of the authority.

**LD 1441 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of
Maine to Ensure State Recognition of the Rights of Victims
of Crime**

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
RICHARDS HOLLOWAY		

SUMMARY

This resolution mandated that a victim of a crime was to be afforded certain rights and that those rights are as important as the rights of a person accused or convicted of the crime perpetrated on that victim. This bill was carried over to the next session.