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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE 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:

PUBLIC XXX Chapter # of enacted Public Law P&S XXX Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law RESOLVE XXX Chapter # of enacted Resolve CON RES XXX Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses **EMERGENCY** Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days CARRIED OVER Bill carried over to 2nd Session FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT Bill failed to get 2/3 vote **ONTP** Ought Not to Pass report accepted **LVWD** Leave to Withdraw report accepted INDEF PP Bill Indefinitely Postponed **DIED BETWEEN BODIES** House & Senate disagree; bill died Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto **VETO SUSTAINED** Not signed by Governor within 10 days UNSIGNED DIED ON ADJOURNMENT Action incomplete when 1st session ended

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 1569

An Act to Allow the Use of Coupons in the Purchase of Alcoholic Beverages

ONTP

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

JALBERT

ONTP

SUMMARY

This bill would have allowed certificate of approval holders (manufacturers and out-of-state wholesalers) to offer to consumers coupons on the purchase of alcoholic beverages.

LD 1570 An Act Regarding Proceeds of Games of Chance

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

TRACY

ONTP

LAWRENCE

MILLS

JALBERT

SUMMARY

This bill would have allowed nonprofit organizations to use the proceeds from games of chance to pay wages of bartenders employed by the organization to conduct the games. Current law prohibits organizations from using the proceeds from games of chance to pay wages or remuneration to any employee, member or officer of the organization. See also LD 1956.

LD 1585

An Act to Require Bottle Clubs and Licensees for the Sale of Liquor to Post a Notice Informing the Public of the Presence of a Person Employed to Preserve the Peace ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

TRACY

ONTP

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MILLS

LAWRENCE

SUMMARY

This bill would have required a bottle club or an establishment licensed to sell liquor for consumption on the premises that employs a bouncer to post a notice that it does so. The bill also would have required the Commissioner of Public Safety to establish guidelines for the conduct of bouncers employed by bottle clubs and liquor licensees.