

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

**BILL SUMMARIES  
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ON  
HUMAN RESOURCES**

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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:

<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 1699**      **An Act to Provide a Juvenile Offender with a Continuum of Services through the Department of Human Services**      **ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
RICHARDS PENDEXTER GAUVREAU	ONTP	

**SUMMARY**

This bill requires that if custody of a child is transferred from the Department of Human Services to the parent, the department must continue to provide the same level of services as it would if the child were still in the department's custody.

**LD 1708**      **An Act to Reimburse Foster Parents for the True Cost of Raising a Foster Child**      **ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
DORE PARADIS J	ONTP	

**SUMMARY**

This bill provides funds to the Department of Human Services to increase the board rate for the State's foster children to the median child-rearing cost calculated by the United States Department of Agriculture.

**LD 1710**      **An Act Concerning Bone Marrow Transplant Education**      **ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MANNING	ONTP	

**SUMMARY**

This bill establishes a statewide bone marrow donor education program, mandates paid leave of up to 40 hours for certain employees seeking to donate bone marrow and establishes a state employee bone marrow donor drive.

**LD 1711**      **Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study Service Delivery Systems for Children with Autism**      **ONTP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MITCHELL E BOST GEAN	ONTP	

**SUMMARY**

This resolve establishes the Commission to Study Service Delivery Systems for Children with Autism. The commission will evaluate the State's current service delivery system for children with autism and make recommendations to enhance the delivery of services.