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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

MAY 1992

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 far right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

PUBLIC XXX
P&S XXX
RESOLVE XXX
CON RES XXX
EMERGENCY
CARRIED OVER
ONTP
LVWD
INDEF PP
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT
DIED BETWEEN BODIES
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE
VETO SUSTAINED
UNSIGNED
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT

Chapter # of enacted Public Law
Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law
Chapter # of enacted Resolve
Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
Bill carried over to Special Session
Ought Not to Pass report accepted
Leave to Withdraw report accepted
Bill Indefinitely Postponed
Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
House and Senate disagree; bill died
Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree
Legislature filed to override Governor's Veto
Not signed by Governor within 10 days
Action incomplete when session ended; bill died

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, especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

If you have any suggestions or comments on these summaries, please let us know.

The original bill changes the 30% retention to 50% and the adult/juvenile ratio from 2/3 - 1/3 to 1/2 - 1/2. It also provides that funds not spent by a county within 3 years would revert to a pool available on application to other counties.

Committee Amendment "A" eliminates the change from 30% to 50% and the requirement that the juvenile program be for diversionary services. It also provides that funds need only be committed by the county, not expended, to be protected from the 3 year time deadline.

LD 2063 An Act to Make Electronic Monitoring and Substance Testing Programs Economically Feasible

OTP-AM

PUBLIC 783
EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

H-1126

MANNING

BUSTIN ANTHONY LARRIVEE

SUMMARY

The original bill requires that persons on probation or intensive supervision under the Department of Corrections must pay for any electronic monitoring or substance abuse testing, unless they lack the financial resources.

Committee Amendment "A" requires, rather than allows, the funds raised from this provision be spent on these programs. It adds a provision that allows the fee to cover costs associated with providing this monitoring to persons who can not afford to pay the fee. It also amends the law regarding persons under a county home-release program from allowing the court to require that these persons pay for the monitoring program to mandating that the court require this payment and specifically referring to electronic monitoring and substance abuse testing.

LD 2130

Resolve, to Develop a Plan for a Coordinated System of Sanctions and Services for Convicted Sex Offenders

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

ANTHONY

ONTP

BUSTIN OTT

FARNSWORTH

SUMMARY

This resolve directs the Department of Corrections to undertake a study to develop a plan designed to provide a continuum of treatment and services for convicted sex offenders that attempts to prevent repeat offenses. The study will examine the feasibility of instituting alternatives in sentencing and housing convicted sex offenders. The department is to submit its report by November 1, 1992.