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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.

LD 2121

An Act Regarding the Parking Violations that Occur on State Controlled Property within the Capitol Area

PUBLIC 665

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

AULT LOOK 0TP-AM H-933

SUMMARY

This bill made the minimum fine, which is set by rule by the Commissioner of Public Safety, for violating a parking regulation on state controlled property within the capitol area \$10. Payment of the fine allows the violator to waive any court action. The bill raised the minimum fine that a violator may receive upon conviction in District Court to \$30.

Committee amendment A (H-933) changed the increase in the fine for a parking violation if a person is found guilty by the court from \$30 to \$50 and added a fiscal note to the bill.

LD 2142

An Act to Create the Cushings Island Village Corporation

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

CONLEY

ONTP

RAND

SUMMARY

This bill would have created the Cushings Island Village Corporation.

LD 2158

An Act to Amend the Corporation Laws

LV/WD

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

JOSEPH

LV/WD

DAGGETT

NORTON

SUMMARY

This bill would have given the Secretary of State the same powers for administering the statutes regarding secured transactions under the Uniform Commercial Code that the Secretary of State has for administering the statutes regarding business and nonprofit corporations, marks and limited partnership.

This bill would have made changes to the laws governing nonprofit corporations and their requirements with relation to the Secretary of State, and would have clarified that the law allows a nonprofit corporation to act as an incorporator for a business corporation. The bill would have amended the law to establish a United States postmark as evidence of timely filing and to provide a 30-day period to refile the report if corrections must be made. The statutory provision for special annual report filing for condominium nonprofit corporations was repealed; these corporations would have filed annual reports as nonprofit corporations.

This bill also would have allowed the Secretary of State the authority to charge a fee for preclearance of documents that must be filed, to provide public access to the Department of the Secretary of State's data base and to adopt rules to establish fees to distribute publications providing information on nonprofit corporations.