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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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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	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 Special Session
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass report accepted
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw report accepted
INDEF PP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT	Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	House and Senate disagree; bill died
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE	Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature filed to override Governor's Veto
UNSIGNED	Not signed by Governor within 10 days
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT	Action incomplete when session ended; bill died

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

LD 2100 An Act to Make Revisions in Workers' Compensation Employment Rehabilitation ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
LUTHER
RAND

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill ensured that alternative rehabilitation plans for injured workers under the workers' compensation laws would be evaluated on the basis of each plan's likelihood of returning the employee to employment that is as similar as possible to the employee's skill level and wage level at the time of injury.

LD 2136 An Act to Provide Certain Exemptions to the Limitations on Students Hours of Work ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
DUTREMBLE D
RICHARDS
GOULD R R
BOST

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill exempted emancipated minors and minors who provide totally for their own support from the limitation on hours of work for minors. It also permitted the Department of Education to establish a procedure to provide further exemptions to minors who demonstrate good cause.

An exception for emancipated minors was incorporated into LD 2213.

LD 2166 An Act to Clarify and Amend the Laws Regarding Independent Medical Examiners ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
RAND
RUHLIN
MCKEEN
MCHENRY

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill amended the Workers' Compensation Act so that the independent medical examiner's training in and experience with the type of medical condition presented would be considered by a workers' compensation commissioner when deciding whether to adopt the examiner's medical findings.