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JULY 1993

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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

JULY 1993

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.

The committee report or reports, the prime sponsor for each bill and the lead co-sponsor in each house if one has been designated are listed below each bill title. 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 Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses CON RES XXX Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days **EMERGENCY** CARRIED OVER Bill carried over to Second Session Ought Not to Pass report accepted ONTP ENACTMENT FAILED Bill failed to get majority vote INDEF PP Bill Indefinitely Postponed FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote **DIED BETWEEN BODIES** House & Senate disagree; bill died CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree **VETO SUSTAINED** Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto UNSIGNED Not signed by Governor within 10 days DIED ON ADJOURNMENT 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.

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

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Joint Standing Committee on Legal Affairs

LD 7 Resolve, to Allow Neal and Linda Chute to Bring an Action

ONTP

against the State

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

TITCOMB

ONTP

MAJ MIN

OTP-AM

SUMMARY

This resolve would have authorized Neal and Linda Chute to sue the State for damages resulting from reliance on advice allegedly given to them by the Department of Human Services.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-44), part of the minority committee report, would have added a fiscal note to the bill.

LD 21

An Act to Amend the Lounge License Provisions

INDEF PP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

KERR

OTP.

SUMMARY

This bill allows a minor to remain in a lounge until 8:00 p.m. even though the minor is not accompanied by a parent, legal guardian or custodian.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-28) would have given municipalities the option to let a minor remain in a lounge after 8:00 p.m.

Senate Amendment "B" (S-38) would have prohibited a minor from remaining in a lounge after 2:00 p.m. if the minor was not accompanied by a parent, legal guardian or custodian.

LD 32

Resolve, Authorizing Albert W. Hallowell to Bring a Civil Action against the State

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SKOGLUND

ONTP

SUMMARY

This resolve would have authorized Albert W. Hallowell to sue the State for damages of \$9,845.89 for amounts Mr. Hallowell alleges are due him in unpaid compensation for overtime worked as a boat captain for the Department of Marine Resources.

LD 68

An Act to Prohibit Greyhound Racing in Maine

PUBLIC 44

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

HANLEY

OTP-AM ONTP MAJ MIN S-43

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits the racing of greyhounds for public exhibition.