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## STATE OF MAINE 116TH LEGISLATURE

### FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# BILL SUMMARIES JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

JULY 1993

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# ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# 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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#### SUMMARY

This resolve establishes a 7-person Kennebec County Law Enforcement Examination Commission to review law enforcement services in Kennebec County. The commission is directed to determine whether county law enforcement services are duplicated by state or municipal law enforcement agencies, resulting in unnecessarily high property taxes within Kennebec County. The commission reports to the board of commissioners for Kennebec County and the Kennebec County Advisory Budget Committee.

The committee amendment (H-68) adds an emergency preamble, an emergency clause and a fiscal note to the resolve.

The Senate amendment (S-356) adds a mandate preamble and a fiscal note indicating the State is exempted from paying the additional local costs as this resolve is enacted by a 2/3 vote in both houses pursuant to the Constitution.

LD 469

An Act to Limit the Number of Bills That May Be Filed by a Legislator

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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### **SUMMARY**

This bill limits the number of bills that a Legislator may sponsor during each legislative session but allows an exception for the number of bills that may be submitted by the Governor and the Executive Department.

LD 471

Resolve, Renaming Ames Cove of Friendship as Flood's Cove

RESOLVE 3

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#### SUMMARY

This resolve renames Ames Cove in Friendship as Flood's Cove. Although locally known as Flood's Cove since being purchased by the Flood family 90 years ago, it legally has retained the name of its former owner. This resolve will bring the legal name into conformance with local custom.

LD 502

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Modify Terms of Office for Senators and Members of the House of Representatives

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COMMITTEE REPORT

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** 

GRAY

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#### **SUMMARY**

This constitutional resolution changes Legislators' terms to 4 years following the general election in 1994. The Legislature meets every year, but the business in the 4th year is restricted as it presently is in the 2nd year.