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BILL SUMMARIES  
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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
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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:

<i>PUBLIC XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Public Law</i>
<i>P&amp;S XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Private &amp; Special Law</i>
<i>RESOLVE XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Resolve</i>
<i>CON RES XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses</i>
<i>EMERGENCY</i>	<i>Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days</i>
<i>CARRIED OVER</i>	<i>Bill carried over to Second Session</i>
<i>ONTP</i>	<i>Ought Not to Pass report accepted</i>
<i>ENACTMENT FAILED</i>	<i>Bill failed to get majority vote</i>
<i>INDEF PP</i>	<i>Bill Indefinitely Postponed</i>
<i>FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT</i>	<i>Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote</i>
<i>FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT</i>	<i>Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote</i>
<i>DIED BETWEEN BODIES</i>	<i>House &amp; Senate disagree; bill died</i>
<i>CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE</i>	<i>Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree</i>
<i>VETO SUSTAINED</i>	<i>Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto</i>
<i>UNSIGNED</i>	<i>Not signed by Governor within 10 days</i>
<i>DIED ON ADJOURNMENT</i>	<i>Action incomplete when session ended; bill died</i>

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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Legislature with any proposed changes by January 1, 1994. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

This bill was vetoed by the Governor. In his veto message, the Governor expressed concern that the bill would hold individuals in the institutions in violation of their constitutional rights.

**LD 493      An Act to Clarify the Disbursement of Maine Children's Trust Fund Income      PUBLIC 128**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
PENDLETON	OTP-AM	H-196

**SUMMARY**

This bill allows community coordinating committees (child abuse and neglect councils) that receive Maine Children's Trust Fund income to retain funds for the operation of their own prevention programs and revises the basis for statewide distribution of trust fund income.

Amendment H-196 changes the name of the community coordinating committees to the child abuse and neglect councils to make the bill consistent with changes adopted in Legislative Document 902. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

See also LD 902.

**LD 555      An Act to Limit Administrative Costs in Contracted Services      P & S 48  
EMERGENCY**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
GEAN	OTP-AM	H-214

**SUMMARY**

This bill defines client-related costs and nonclient-related costs. When the Department of Human Services, the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, the Department of Corrections and the Office of Substance Abuse enter into contracts with community agencies, they must ensure that nonclient-related costs do not exceed 12% of the contract. The 4 state agencies are required to adopt joint rules to implement these contract restrictions by July 1, 1993.

Amendment H-214 replaces the original bill. It creates the Administrative Costs Task Force to study the issue and recommend to the Second Regular Session of the 116th Legislature a method for limiting administrative costs in contract agencies. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

**LD 562      An Act to Reestablish the Maine Committee on Aging      CARRIED OVER**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
VOSE TREAT		

**SUMMARY**

This bill reestablishes the Maine Committee on Aging, which was repealed by Public Law 1991, chapter 780.

The bill has been carried over to the Second Regular Session.