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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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LD 582

An Act Regarding Responsibilities of School Union Committees

PUBLIC 131

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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OTP-AM

H-198

SUMMARY

This bill permits the school boards within a school union to delegate additional responsibilities to the union committee if a majority of the members of each school board approve the delegation.

Committee Amendment "A" adds a provision requiring that a union committee consider appropriate time limits on contracts with vendors for school supplies.

LD 584

Resolve, to Reduce the Cost of Administration for Public Primary and Secondary Education

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

RYDELL

ONTP

SUMMARY

This resolve would have established the Public School Administration Task Force to evaluate and recommend alternatives to current public school administrative structures. The task force would have developed recommendations that eliminate duplicative administrative functions; consolidate delivery of school services through increased regionalization; require joint purchase of school supplies and services; guarantee continued local participation in school decision making; and provide expanded opportunities for Maine children through savings from reduced administrative costs.

LD 586

An Act to Allow Elementary and Secondary Schools to Obtain Insurance Coverage through the Bureau of General Services

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

MITCHELL E

ONTP

SUMMARY

This bill would have added to the insurance responsibilities of the Bureau of General Services the provision of insurance advice and services for group homes for children, group homes for persons with mental retardation, specialized children's homes, school administrative units and private schools approved for tuition purposes. LD 883, which was referred to the Banking and Insurance Committee, is a related bill.

LD 592

An Act to Clarify the Appointment, Powers and Duties of Building Committees

PUBLIC 197

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

HANDY AMERO OTP-AM

S-119

SUMMARY

The bill clarifies the procedures for the appointment of special building committees by legislative bodies of school administrative units and confirms the powers and duties of special building committees once established.