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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES**

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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&S XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Private & 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 & 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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LD 590 An Act to Amend the Statutory Provisions Governing the Time and Method of Paying Restitution

PUBLIC 147

SPONSOR(S)
HANLEY

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-89

SUMMARY

The bill allows the office of a prosecuting attorney to request that the Commissioner of Corrections direct that the restitution collected by the Department of Corrections, Division of Probation and Parole be forwarded to the prosecuting attorney's office which, in turn, would disburse the restitution to the victim or other authorized claimant.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-89) adds a fiscal note.

LD 600 An Act to Authorize the Experimental Use of Video Telecommunication for Arraignment

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)
BRENNAN

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill permits arraignment by video communication for persons held in custody for Class A, B and C crimes.

LD 617 An Act to Abolish All Concurrent Sentences

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
HILLOCK

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill would have eliminated the court's authority to impose concurrent sentences of imprisonment and would have required that all sentences be consecutive.

LD 623 An Act Relating to the Evaluation of Juveniles Prior to Court Placement Out of Their Homes

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
BUSTIN
LARRIVEE

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill would have required that, after a juvenile is adjudicated of having committed a juvenile crime but before final disposition, the court must order an evaluation by a multidisciplinary team if the court is considering out-of-home placement for the juvenile. The court would be required to consider the recommendations of the team and, if the court's disposition or other actions are inconsistent with the recommendations, the court would have to state for the record its reasons for acting contrary to the recommendations.