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**BILL SUMMARIES
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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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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&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 716 **An Act Relating to the Omnibus Drug Policy Reform Act** ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BOWERS	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill establishes the Tobacco, Alcohol and Scheduled Drugs Commission to review state laws and regulatory, enforcement, taxation, education, health care and treatment policies and activities related to the use or abuse of tobacco products, alcohol and scheduled drugs. The commission is required to recommend to the Legislature changes in law and policies necessary to minimize the costs of use or abuse of tobacco products, alcohol and scheduled drugs.

LD 726 **An Act to Provide State Government with Independent Cost Assessment of Federally Mandated and Regulated Programs** ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
DUTREMBLE D	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill establishes the Budget Advisory Board on Federal Programs, consisting of 3 part-time members experienced in finance, accounting or budgetary matters. The purpose of the board is to analyze the State's responsibilities and options under certain federal programs and to identify cost-saving or service-provision options. The board is to report to the Governor and the Legislature every 2 years to coincide with the development of the biennial state budget. The board is to be available to advise the Governor and the Legislature at other times.

LD 729 **An Act Concerning the Composition of Appointed Governmental Boards in the State** ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MCCORMICK	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill requires that all boards, commissions, committees and similar organizations established by law be gender-balanced.

LD 742 **An Act Imposing Term Limits on Legislative Leadership Positions** PUBLIC 411

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT		AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
LIBBY J D	OTP-AM	MAJ	H-364
BEGLEY	ONTP	MIN	

SUMMARY

This bill limits the terms that the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and members of the Legislative Council may serve to 4 consecutive legislative bienniums. Calculation of time served begins with the First Regular Session of the 116th Legislature on December 2, 1992.