

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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BILL SUMMARIES  
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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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LD 684

**An Act Concerning the Purchase of Liquor by Establishments  
Licensed to Sell Liquor on Premises**

PUBLIC 276

**SPONSOR(S)**  
BALDACCI

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
OTP-AM

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
S-170

**SUMMARY**

This bill permits agency liquor stores to deliver liquor to establishments that are licensed to sell spirits for consumption on premises. The bill also permits establishments licensed to sell spirits for consumption on premises to purchase liquor from any state liquor store or any agency store regardless of the establishment's distance from a state liquor store.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-170) replaces the original bill. The amendment permits agency liquor stores to deliver liquor to establishments that are licensed for the sale of liquor on premises and permits on-premise licensees to purchase liquor from any state store or agency store regardless of the licensed establishment's distance from a state liquor store.

The amendment also clarifies the price of spirits sold under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 28-A, section 606, subsection 1-A must equal the price of spirits sold at state liquor stores. An agency liquor store and an on-premise licensee shall each retain a copy of the licensee order form upon completion of the transaction.

LD 730

**An Act to Permit Inspections upon Notice by Landlords of  
Apartments of At-will Tenants**

ONTP

**SPONSOR(S)**  
CLEVELAND

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have allowed landlords of tenants-at-will to enter their dwelling units only 2 times a year for inspection and only after the landlord has given a 10-day notice.

LD 748

**An Act Related to Third Parties**

CARRIED OVER

**SPONSOR(S)**  
HEESCHEN

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill would provide a procedure for 3rd parties to qualify for primaries in legislative districts and for subsequent primaries and general elections. A party would qualify for primaries in a legislative district if its candidate in the preceding general election received at least 15% of the vote in that district and had declared intent to qualify the party before that election. The bill also would provide requirements for municipal caucuses and statewide conventions.

LD 750

**An Act to Protect Children from Illegal Tobacco Sales**

DIED BETWEEN  
BODIES

**SPONSOR(S)**  
RICHARDSON  
LAWRENCE

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
ONTP MAJ  
OTP-AM MIN

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

The bill would have required that retail tobacco sellers obtain a license from the Bureau of Alcoholic  
**20 Legal Affairs**