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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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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:

PUBLIC XXX

P&S XXX

RESOLVE XXX

CON RES XXX

EMERGENCY

CARRIED OVER

ONTP

ENACTMENT FAILED

INDEF PP

FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT

FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT

DIED BETWEEN BODIES

CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE

VETO SUSTAINED

UNSIGNED

DIED ON ADJOURNMENT

Chapter # of enacted Public Law

Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law

Chapter # of enacted Resolve

Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses

Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days

Bill carried over to Second Session

Ought Not to Pass report accepted

Bill failed to get majority vote

Bill Indefinitely Postponed

Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote

Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote

House & Senate disagree; bill died

Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree

Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

Not signed by Governor within 10 days

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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Committee Amendment "A" (S-197) makes going to a location other than that permitted by the terms of the leave a Class D crime.

LD 769 An Act to Clarify the Grounds for Civil Action for Child Sexual Abuse PUBLIC 176

SPONSOR(S) **COMMITTEE REPORT** **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**
TITCOMB OTP

SUMMARY

For purposes of civil actions alleging sexual acts toward minors, the bill defines "sexual intercourse" as that term is defined under the criminal incest laws.

LD 776 An Act to Repeal Certain Provisions of the Maine Health Security Act CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S) **COMMITTEE REPORT** **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**
MARTIN J

SUMMARY

The bill repeals the provisions of the Maine Health Security Act that establish the prelitigation screening and mediation panels, structured awards and limitations on contingent fees.

LD 778 An Act to Prevent Procurement of Controlled Substances through Fraud ONTP

SPONSOR(S) **COMMITTEE REPORT** **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**
JOSEPH ONTP

SUMMARY

The bill would have amended the drug laws dealing with obtaining drugs by deception by adding the terms "misrepresentation," "fraud," "forgery" and "subterfuge" to the law.

LD 782 An Act Regarding the Writing of Bad Checks ONTP

SPONSOR(S) **COMMITTEE REPORT** **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**
CLARK ONTP

SUMMARY

The bill would have expanded the theft crimes to include intentionally or knowingly writing a check on an account the writer knows is closed.