

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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BILL SUMMARIES  
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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
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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*

*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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**SPONSOR(S)**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

OTP-AM

H-293

**SUMMARY**

This bill is submitted in compliance with Public Law 1991, chapter 844, section 8, which requires the Secretary of State to submit legislation repealing all advisory boards and commissions listed in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, sections 12004-I and 12004-J as well as other advisory boards and commissions with similar functions.

This bill repeals the Maine Correctional Advisory Commission, the Boards of Visitors of the 5 correctional facilities and the Maine Criminal Justice Commission. Currently, the law does not specify by name the various Boards of Visitors and, as a result, the Secretary of State is not aware of those Visitor Boards that do not make a report to it.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-293) eliminates the repeal of the Boards of Visitors and the Maine Criminal Justice Commission.

**LD 1181**

**An Act to Establish a Demonstration Project Transferring County Jail Operations to the State**

**CARRIED OVER**

**SPONSOR(S)**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

PLOURDE  
DUTREMBLE D

**SUMMARY**

This bill transfers responsibility for operation of county jails, including debts and other long-term obligations, from the counties to the Department of Corrections effective July 1, 1997. The bill directs the Commissioner of Corrections to establish up to 3 demonstration projects to test the provisions of this Act and the costs involved in their implementation. A report on the demonstration projects is due to the Legislature by January 1, 1997.

**LD 1378**

**An Act Regarding the Holding of Juveniles in the Penobscot County Jail**

**PUBLIC 238**

**SPONSOR(S)**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

CASHMAN  
BALDACCI  
RUHLIN

OTP-AM

H-294

**SUMMARY**

This bill allows detention of juveniles in the Penobscot County Jail.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-294) puts a deadline of December 31, 1995 on the authorization.