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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE  
BILL SUMMARIES**

**MAY 1994**

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, 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*

*ONTP*

*INDEF PP*

*FAILED ENACTMENT*

*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*

*Ought Not to Pass report accepted*

*Bill Indefinitely Postponed*

*Bill failed to get majority vote*

*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 unable to agree; bill died*

*Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto*

*Not signed by Governor within 10 days*

*Action incomplete when session ended; bill died*

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6. Adds a requirement that the board of trustees of the school develop methods of assessing student academic achievement and teacher development and report to the Governor and the Legislature on those and other matters related to the school every 2 years;
7. Adds a requirement that the school provide access to pupils and teachers not residing full time at the school beginning in September 1995. A plan outlining courses, workshops, seminars and other instructional programs must be submitted to the Legislature by February 15, 1995;
8. Adjusts the membership of the Task Force on the Maine School of Visual and Performing Arts by replacing a representative from the University of Southern Maine with the Chancellor of the University of Maine System, or the chancellor's designee, and replacing an art education teacher and a music education teacher with 3 members of the Maine Art Education Association; and
9. Adds a fiscal note.

*TO COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"*  
 HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-1054) changes the number of voting members on the Board of Trustees of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics from 18 to 17 and the number of nonvoting members from one to 2. The amendment clarifies that one of the members who is a teacher is a nonvoting member. The amendment also clarifies the board's duties pertaining to the geographical basis for selection of students who will attend the school. The amendment also makes a technical correction.

*TO COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"*  
 HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" (H-1118) eliminates the appropriation for the Maine School of Science and Mathematics since funding is contained in Committee Amendment A to the Governor's supplemental budget. A revised fiscal note is included.

**LD 2002**

**An Act to Revise the Authorization of the Towns of Appleton, Camden, Hope, Lincolnville and Rockport to Form a Community School District**

P & S 87  
 EMERGENCY

**SPONSOR(S)**

BOWERS  
 PINGREE

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

H-1045 MITCHELL E  
 H-1065 MITCHELL E  
 S-595 VOSE

**SUMMARY**

This bill permits the Town of Appleton to vote again to join a community school district with the towns of Camden, Hope, Lincolnville and Rockport. If the vote is negative, it permits the towns of Camden, Hope, Lincolnville and Rockport to form the community school district for grades 9 to 12. It also permits the towns of Camden and Rockport plus 2 out of the 3 towns of Appleton, Hope and Lincolnville to form the district if one of the 3 does not approve the cost-sharing formula.

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-1045) specifies that the school boards of the towns of Appleton, Hope and Lincolnville that are municipal members of the district are responsible for preparing the budgets for the fiscal years 1995 and 1996.

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" TO HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-1065) permits, rather than requires, the Town of Appleton to vote again, on or before May 3, 1994, to join a community school district with the towns of Camden, Hope, Lincolnville and Rockport. The amendment also removes the mandate preamble from the bill and the fiscal note from House Amendment "A".

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" (S-595) is a technical amendment offered on behalf of the Committee on Engrossed Bills to add a necessary emergency clause to this emergency bill.