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State Of Maine 121st Legislature

First Regular Session

Bill Summaries

Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

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Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing Committees

Enclosed please find a summary of all bills, resolves, joint study orders, joint resolutions and Constitutional resolutions that were considered by the joint standing and joint select committees of the Maine Legislature this past session. The document is a compilation of bill summaries which describe each bill and relevant amendments, as well as the final action taken. Also included are statistical summaries of bill activity this session for the Legislature and each of its joint standing committees.

The document is organized for convenient reference to information on bills considered by the committees. It is arranged alphabetically by committee name and within committees by bill (LD) number. The committee report(s), prime sponsor for each bill and the lead co-sponsor(s), if designated, are listed below each bill title. All adopted amendments are listed by paper number. Two indices, a subject index and a numerical index by LD number are provided for easy reference to bills. They are located at the back of the document. A separate publication, <u>History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents</u>, may also be helpful in providing information on the disposition of bills. These bill summaries also are available at the Law and Legislative Reference Library and on the Internet (www.state.me.us/legis/opla).

Final action on each bill is noted to the right of the bill title. The abbreviations used for various categories of final action are as follows:

CARRIED OVER PURSUANT TO HP 1212	Bills carried over to the 2 nd Regular Session
CON RES XXX	Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE	
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	
DIED IN CONCURRENCEOne bo	dy accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT	Action incomplete when session ended; bill died
EMERGENCY	Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE	Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE	Bill failed to get majority vote
FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT	Bill failed to get majority voteBill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY	
INDEF PP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed
ONTP	Ought Not To Pass report accepted
OTP-ND	
P&S XXX	
PASSED	Joint Order passed in both bodies
PUBLIC XXX	
RESOLVE XXX	
UNSIGNED	Bill held by Governor
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

Please note that the effective date for all non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is September 13, 2003.

Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

LD 762 An Act To Require a Juvenile to Pay Restitution after Attaining 18

Years of Age

ONTP

Sponsor(s) Committee Report Amendments Adopted
WOODCOCK
BRUNO ONTP

LD 762 proposed to require a court to order a juvenile to pay restitution for damages resulting from a crime committed by a juvenile if the order of restitution fell within statutory criteria and proposed to require a juvenile to pay any unpaid restitution upon the juvenile's 18th birthday.

LD 792 An Act To Make the Use of Scheduled Drugs without a Prescription ONTP a Crime

 Sponsor(s)
 Committee Report
 Amendments Adopted

 DAMON
 ONTP

LD 792 proposed to prohibit the unauthorized use of scheduled drugs.

LD 807 An Act To Permit the Use of Videoconferencing for the Purpose of Jail Visitation ONTP

 Sponsor(s)
 Committee Report
 Amendments Adopted

 BOWLES
 ONTP

 NASS

LD 807 proposed to authorize a county sheriff to allow a county jail to provide a prisoner with visitation with friends or family by videoconferencing, rather than in person, with the prisoner's consent. The bill also proposed that visitation by a prisoner's attorney or religious advisor must be in person.

LD 808 An Act to Control County Jail and Correctional Facility Health
Care Expenses Incurred outside the Facilities

PUBLIC 461

Sponsor(s)Committee ReportAmendments AdoptedBUNKEROTP-AMH-365CARPENTERH-365

LD 808 proposed to limit the amount a county could pay a health care provider for health care services, goods, prescriptions and medications supplied to a prisoner only to the amount equal to the reimbursement rate applicable to that provider and that service as established by rule of the Department of Human Services for the MaineCare program under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22.