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STATE OF MAINE
ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
STATE GOVERNMENT
BILL SUMMARY



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SUMMARY: ID 728 proposed to allow municipalities to install and enforce any handicapped parking sign or any symbol (painted on the ground, building, etc.) for handicapped parking. Currently only one type of sign may be legally enforced (See 30 MRSA §2151, sub-§2, paragraph K). The Committee passed the bill in amended form to allow all handicapped signs currently in use to be legally enforced. Following the effective date of the new Act, however, only two types of new signs or replacement signs will be authorized. A sign with a handicapped symbol in white on a blue background with or without an inscription and the traditional sign will be enforceable under the law.

731 RESOLUTION, PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF MAINE TO PROVIDE FOR STAGGERED FOUR-YEAR TERMS FOR SENATORS Dow CONF.COMTE

SUMMARY: Please refer to LD 168.

764 AN ACT TO REQUIRE PRENOTIFICATION OF AGENDA FOR SPECIAL SESSIONS OF THE LEGISLATURE Armstrong

SUMMARY: ID 764 proposed that the agenda of a special session be established no earlier than 14 days prior to the commencement of the session and that no other items would be introduced or considered except routine orders and resolutions unless 2/3 of each branch voted to accept additional items. The Committee developed a new draft LD 1468 to require notification to be sent 7 days prior to the commencement of the session except during emergency situations. In addition to new bills, constitutional resolutions could not be introduced unless authorized by a 2/3 vote in each legislative body.