

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON
Business Legislation

BILL SUMMARY



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(OTHER BILLS, continued)

LD	TITLE	SPONSOR	DISPOSITION
956	AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW GOVERNING CONSTRUCTION PERMITS AND THE EXAMINATION OF PLANS BY THE OFFICE OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL	(DPS Bill) BEAULIEU CHARETTE SWAZEY STUDLEY	(OTPA) PL 1983, c.232

SUMMARY: Extends scope of "public buildings" subject to construction plans review; allows Commissioner of Public Safety to set fees.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-152): Limits fee schedule to maximum of \$55, consistent with the bill's statement of fact and testimony at the hearing. (ADOPTED)

1056	AN ACT TO AMEND MAINE'S ABANDONED PROPERTY LAW	(Treasury Dept. Bill) KILCOYNE TWITCHELL NORTON DAGGETT	(OTPA) PL 1983, c.211
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SUMMARY: Shortens a number of dates after which abandoned property escheats to the State; provides constitutional and clearer provisions to deal with situations involving property claimed by multiple states.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-154): Further clarifies multiple states' claims; prevents escheat of bank deposits where the depositor has other accounts which show activity during the abandonment period; allows Treasurer to delay sale of some items; further limits excessive finders' fees; adds fiscal note.

1102	AN ACT TO REVISE THE CHARITABLE SOLICITATIONS LAW	(DBR Bill) STEVENS MARTIN, A	(OTP) PL 1983, c.277
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SUMMARY: Addresses constitutional infirmity in the charitable solicitations law by exempting from requirements all solicitation in behalf of bona fide religious purposes.

1366	AN ACT TO CREATE A COMMISSION ON THE FINANCIAL NEEDS OF MAINE SMALL BUSINESSES.	PRAY	LV/WD
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SUMMARY: Provides for a funded study on the financial needs of Maine small business and problems associated with current government programs addressing those needs.