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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
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BILL SUMMARY



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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

LD: 97  
EMERGENCY

RESOLVE, REQUIRING THE BUREAU OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO STUDY AND EVALUATE VARIOUS ALTERNATIVES FOR CENTRALLY LOCATING THE SEVERAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES OF THE STATE WITHIN A SINGLE FACILITY

LU-WD HOUSE Accepted Committee Report  
SENATE Accepted Committee Report  
GOV

SUMMARY:

LD 97 proposed that the Bureau of Public Improvements (BPI) study various options by which Maine's economic development agencies could be "housed" in one building. BPI has already developed plans and costs for the construction of a new building which would allow the several economic development agencies to be "housed" together. Under LD 97, the BPI would look at leasing, purchasing and any other alternatives that might exist.

By housing the several economic development agencies within a single facility, greater coordination of programs and activities of the several agencies could possibly be achieved. In addition, better communication among the agencies may be facilitated. Another purpose of the bill is to make business assistance services of the State more convenient to the general public.

LD 97 was withdrawn following the announcement of the Governor's proposal to send to the voters of Maine a proposal for the construction of a new building to house all economic development agencies of the State. Currently, this procedure has been changed. Industrial development bonds issued by FAME will be the source of funding for the new construction.

LD: 98 AN ACT DEFINING THE RIGHT OF STATE EMPLOYEES TO TESTIFY BEFORE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES (REPORTED PURSUANT TO A STUDY ORDER FROM THE STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE)

OTP-AM HOUSE Enacted PUBLIC  
SENATE Enacted CH # 167  
GOV SIGNED

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SUMMARY:

LD 98, which has been enacted into law, establishes a written state policy defining the rights of and protection afforded State employees with respect to testimony presented to legislative committees. According to the policy a State employee may not be discriminated against in any way by his/her superiors for testimony that: