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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

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BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JULY 1985

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: 673

AN ACT TO DEFINE FARM LABORERS

MICHAEL

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SUMMARY:

The bill provided a definition of "agricultural employment" as it is used in the Workers' Compensation Act. Also see LD 1240.

LD:

750 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE NEGOTIABILITY OF TRANSFERS, REASSIGNMENTS AND PROMOTIONS FOR TEACHERS

BAKER H CLARK H MAYO GAUVREAU

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The bill was reported ought to pass as amended by a divided committee. Committee Amendment H-61 was accepted in the Senate but not in the House. The bill was then re-referred to committee where the sponsor accepted a leave to withdraw.

SUMMARY:

This bill was submitted in reaction to the Law Court's decision in Board of Directors of Maine S.A.D. No. 36 ν . Maine S.A.D. No. 36 Teachers Association, which ruled that a negotiated—for contract provision governing the transfer, reassignment and promotion of teachers was invalid. The bill would have made these subjects negotiable items. The majority report amendment H-61 clarified the original bill by ensuring that only the criteria and procedure used to select applicants for vacant positions were negotiable, not the actual selection, and that negotiability only extended to transfers, reassignments and promotions within the bargaining unit.

LD:

817 AN ACT CONCERNING NOTIFICATION UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS

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SUMMARY:

The bill would have created an exception to the requirement in the Workers' Compensation Act that an employee must give notice to his employer within 30 days of an injury if the employee was unaware of the notice requirement and the existence of the injury is indisputable.