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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
STATE GOVERNMENT  
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.

E. identification of relevant state and federal rules that may duplicate, overlap, or conflict with the proposed rule.

The bill was withdrawn with the understanding that the State Government Committee or the Joint Select Committee on Economic Development (LD 95) would study the needs and problems of small business. In addition, some of the provisions of the bill were addressed in LD 377.

**LD:**      **695**      AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL SECOND SESSION BILLS      RIDLEY  
TO HAVE EMERGENCY PREAMBLES      SEAVEY  
WEYMOUTH  
DUTREMBLE

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

SUMMARY:

LD 695 proposed to require that all bills introduced in the Second Regular Session, statutorily be required to contain emergency preambles and clauses in order to comply with the Constitutional provision (Article IV, Part Third, Section 1). This provision requires that the Second Regular Session of the Legislature be limited to:

- A. bugetary matters
- B. Legislation in the Governor's call
- C. Emergency legislation
- D. Legislation from Committee study reports, and
- E. Legislation in the form of direct initiatives

The Committee voted the bill "ought-not-to-pass" because one legislature cannot bind future legislatures, and the effect of the statutory requirement would be limited exclusively to the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. In addition, the proposal, to some people, seemed more appropriate in the form of a Joint Rule than in the form of a Public Law.

**LD:**      696      AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN      BONNEY  
STATE PROPERTY

ND: 1510

OTP-ND HP1036      HOUSE Accepted Committee Report      CH #378  
                            SENATE Accepted Committee Report  
                            GOV

SUMMARY:

Please refer to LD 1510, the new draft of LD 696.