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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.

LD:

697

RESOLUTION, PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE  
CONSTITUTION OF MAINE TO CHANGE THE  
REAPPORTIONMENT PROCEDURES TO REFLECT  
CHANGES IN LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURES AND TO  
HOUSE Ref'd to Committee  
SENATE Ref'd to Committee  
GOV

MACBRIDE  
MARTIN J  
SEWALL  
PRAY

SUMMARY:

LD 697 proposed several changes in the procedures for reapportionment of the Maine Legislature which occurs every 10 years. The proposed changes were controversial, and the Committee voted to hold the bill until the Second Regular Session when more information will be available.

LD:

739

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A PREFERENCE IN STATE  
EMPLOYMENT TO OFFICERS OF THE MILITARY SERVICE

NAJARIAN

LV-WD

HOUSE Accepted Committee Report  
SENATE Accepted Committee Report  
GOV

SUMMARY:

LD 739 proposed to give former commissioned officers in the United State Military and who are currently retired from active service, a 5 point preference with respect to positions in the classified service. In addition, the unmarried widow or widower of a retired commissioned officer is provided a 5 point preference. The preference proposed in the bill did not require the retired commissioned officer to have served in a campaign.

The bill did not provide for a 5 point preference for retired non-commissioned officers. By making the distinction between commissioned officers and non-commissioned officers or between officers and enlisted personnel, the bill added an entirely new dimension to the statutes providing preferences to veterans. All current preferences (6) are awarded to veterans regardless of their rank.

As a result of the distinction proposed by the bill, the committee rejected the bill.

LD:

740

JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING APPLICATION TO  
CONGRESS CALLING A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION  
TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL  
CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE A BALANCED FEDERAL

HEPBURN  
HIGGINS L

ONTP

HOUSE Accepted Committee Report  
SENATE Accepted Committee Report  
GOV