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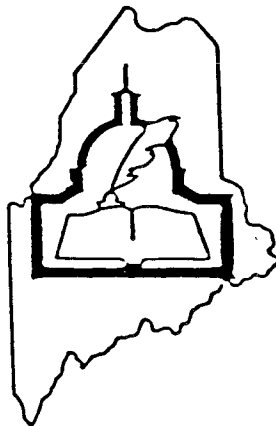
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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session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

LU-WD HOUSE Accepted Committee Report  
SENATE Accepted Committee Report  
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SUMMARY:

This bill would have allowed seasonal workers with at least \$400 in nonseasonal base period earnings to be treated as regular unemployment claimants without seasonal earnings for the purpose of calculating both the weekly benefit amount and maximum benefit amounts.

LD: 863 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE STATUS OF NEWSPAPER CARRIERS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACT JOSEPH DUTREMBLE DIAMOND J BRANNIGAN PUBLIC CH # 74  
OTP HOUSE Enacted  
SENATE Enacted  
GOV SIGNED

SUMMARY:

The bill exempts the delivery and distribution of periodicals to the ultimate consumer by a person who is paid on a commission basis from the definition of employment for the purposes of the Unemployment Compensation Act. This results in an unemployment tax exemption for the newspaper and periodical dealers who hire these people and makes the persons performing these services ineligible to receive unemployment benefits.

LD: 864 AN ACT TO ASSIST WORKERS' DISPLACED FROM EMPLOYMENT BY IMPORTS CONNOLLY TUTTLE DUTREMBLE MARTIN J PUBLIC CH # 346  
OTP-AM HOUSE Emerg. Enacted  
SENATE Emerg. Enacted  
GOV EMER SIGNED

H-271 CA H S

SUMMARY:

The original bill would have enacted several State provisions as an adjunct to the Federal Trade Act of 1974. It required the State to establish procedures for making Trade Act applications, to determine the impact of foreign imports in layoffs, to notify all affected workers of Trade Act opportunities, to formulate reemployment plans and provide other services for eligible workers, and to transfer money annually from the Special Administrative Expense Fund into a special account for providing training and support services to eligible workers. The bill was replaced by Committee amendment H-271 which directed the Commissioner of Labor to adopt rules implementing the provisions of the Trade Act and provided for the use of funds from the Special