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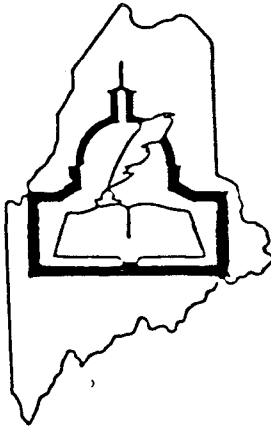
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BILL SUMMARY



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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: 1047 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATEWIDE EMERGENCY
9-1-1 TELEPHONE SYSTEM

SWAZEY
CHONKO
WEYMOUTH
BALDACCI

ND:

HELD OVER - HOUSE Ref'd to Committee
SENATE Ref'd to Committee
GOV

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SUMMARY: The bill requires the establishment, by December 31, 1986, of a statewide emergency services telephone network using standard access digits 9-1-1. All municipalities would set up individual (or multi-member) public safety answering points. These would dispatch emergency services directly or transfer or relay the call to the appropriate agency. Thus, to reach fire, police, ambulance, medical or other emergency services anywhere in the state, it would only be necessary to dial 9-1-1. The bill also requires the telephone companies to provide automatic display of the calling number and automatic identification of the callers address. Access for the physically disabled is also provided. The PUC would coordinate implementation.

The bill was held over to the 2nd Regular Session pending further study of the issues

LD: 1100 AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE BINGHAM
WATER DISTRICT

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WEBSTER C

ND:

OTP-AM HOUSE Enacted
SENATE Enacted
GOV SIGNED

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CH # 43

H-363 CA H S

SUMMARY: The bill exempts the district from the property tax everywhere. It establishes a residency requirement for the 3 elected trustees. The boundaries of the district include only part of Bingham, but the District has authority to serve in Concord and Moscow also. Present law only allows the vote to registered voters within the district. The bill extends it to registered voters in Concord who are customers.

Committee amendment (H-363) is a new draft of the bill which simply extends the territory of the Bingham Water District to include part of Concord Township. (Propeerty of quasi-municipal districts is tax-exempt within the district). Referenda are required in the district in Bingham and in the portion of Concord to be added.