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BILL SUMMARY



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BILL SUMMARIES
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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: 1242 AN ACT TO REQUIRE SUFFICIENT NOTIFICATION IN SCARPINO
CASES OF ADOPTION OF AGENCY RULES

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

SUMMARY:

LD 1242 proposed to require state agencies to delay by 30 days, the implementation of any rules except emergency rules that agencies adopt and to give notice that the agencies have adopted rules to the public and to persons who have requested copies of agencies' rules within the past year.

The bill did not prohibit the adoption of rules nor did the bill delegate veto power over rulemaking to any person or organization. The bill established a 30 day waiting period from the time a rule is adopted to the time the rule is implemented.

For the most part, most rules, except emergency rules, currently do not go into effect until 10 days to 2 weeks following adoption by the agency. The notice provisions in the bill already exist in current law.

Current Notice Provisions. Currently notice is provided at least 20 days prior to the adoption of a rule to interested persons and persons affected by the rule. The 30 day waiting period proposed in the bill would not necessarily give an interested person or organization any "earlier" notice about the rule. The question here is whether a 50 day period is necessary.

LD: 1269 AN ACT RELATING TO THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE DOW
DEPUTY TREASURER AND SUPERVISOR OF ABANDONED MCGOWAN
PROPERTY BRANNIGAN

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

SUMMARY:

The bill proposed to establish new salary ranges for the Deputy Treasurer and Supervisor of abandoned property who have reached the top of their current pay range. The Department of Personnel opposed the bill and asserted that the department should first study the positions and evaluate the current pay scales for these positions.

The State Treasurer asserted that the Department of Personnel had looked at one position and had done nothing. The Treasurer was concerned about losing excellent state employees who are at the top of their payrange and have no incentive to continue in their position.