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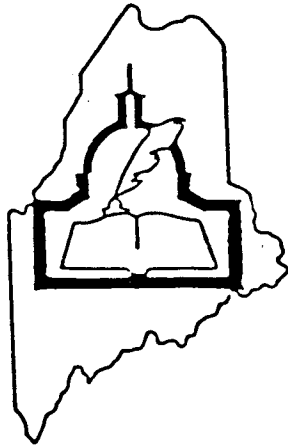
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BILL SUMMARY



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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: 1484 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE USE OF PUBLIC RESERVED LANDS ACQUISITION FUND MONEY MITCHELL DEXTER

MAJ ONTP HOUSE Accepted MAJ Committee Report
 MIN OTP SENATE Accepted MAJ Committee Report
 GOV

SUMMARY:

The bill would have made certain items ineligible for expenditures from the Public Reserved Lands Acquisition Fund. These items included "structures, rights of way, and rights in land other than ownership". The Bureau of Public Lands objected that the bill would reduce the flexibility of their management strategies. The Committee recommended that the bill ought not to pass.

LD: 1496 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MANDATORY ENERGY STANDARDS FOR PUBLICLY-FUNDED BUILDINGS BROWN L MITCHELL COLES CONNOLLY

MIN OTP-AM HOUSE Enacted MIN PUBLIC
 MAJ OTP-AM SENATE Enacted MIN CH # 370
 GOV SIGNED
 S-174 CA MAJ REP
 S-175 CB MIN REP H S
 H-326 BEAULIEU H S

SUMMARY:

The original bill would have made the present voluntary energy efficiency building standards (10 MRSA §1415-A) mandatory for buildings which are constructed or substantially renovated after January 1, 1986 and which use public funds or guarantees. Violators would be subject to civil penalties of up to \$5,000.

CB-S-175: The Committee minority report which was enacted revises the original bill in several ways. It delays the date when the voluntary standards became mandatory to January 1, 1987 and excluded residential buildings from coverage. It also defines "substantial renovation" and establishes a mechanism to implement the new mandatory requirements, including waivers, notices, fees, enforcement and penalties. The committee amendment also requires state agencies, such as FAME and the Housing Authority, to coordinate their energy conservation standards.

HA/CB-H-326: The House Amendment deletes the exclusion for multi-family residential buildings.