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BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES MAY 1986

This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

All Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if it is a floor amendment or the designation "CA" if it is a committee amendment. If the amendment was adopted in the House, the letter H appears after the sponsor. If it was adopted in the Senate, the letter S appears.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

Ought to Pass OTP Ought to Pass in New Draft OTP-ND Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title OTP-ND-NT Ought to Pass as Amended OTP-AM Ought Not to Pass ONTP Leave to Withdraw LVWD Indefinitely Postponed INDEF PP

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1801

Sponsor: COTE, Swazey, Handy, Joseph

Committee Report: OTP-AM

H-537 CA H S H-542 BOST H S H-569 REEVES H S S-397 TRAFTON

<u>SUMMARY:</u> This bill makes several "housekeeping" corrections in the election laws.

The Committee Amendment added a few corrections, including moving the changes in 5 House Districts made last session into Title 21-A.

House amendment A (H-542) made a technical correction.

Senate Amendment A to Committee Amendment (S-397) addressed the loophole left by repealing the subchapter on referendum campaign financing reports. Everyone covered by the repealed subchapter is covered under the subchapter on political action committees - except an individual who expends his or her own funds on a referendum campaign. Unfortunately, this amendment inadvertently required individuals spending in a candidate's election to report twice. (Not enacted)

House Amendment A to Committee Amendment (H-569) addressed the loophole the Senate Amendment tried to correct, but limited the new language to individuals spending their own funds on a question.

LD AN ACT TO ALLOW MINORS TO ENTER CLASS A LIQUOR LVWD 1821 LOUNGES

Sponsor: JOSEPH, Najarian, Reeves, McGowan Committee Report: LVWD

<u>SUMMARY:</u> Current law prohibits minors (under 21) from entering Class A lounges. This bill proposed to lower that limit to people under 18 years old.