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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:

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

definitions in the Criminal Code amended the same subsection without reference to the prior bill and without repealing the defense. LD 1859 repeals and replaces the subsection to make it clear that the defense is repealed.

LD 1860 AN ACT TO REQUIRE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD INFORMATION PRIOR TO THE BAILING OF CERTAIN OFFENDERS ND LD 2295

Sponsor: BRANNIGAN
Committee Report: OTP-ND-NT, ONTP

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 2295.

LD 1868 AN ACT RELATING TO THE TIME OF PENOBSCOT NATION TRUST LAND ACQUISITION LVWD

Sponsor: PEARSON, Cashman
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill provided for an extension of time for trust land designation identical to that provided in LD 1844. For this reason, LD 1868 was withdrawn.

LD 1871 AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROTECTION FROM ABUSE LAW PL 1985 c. 557

Sponsor: KANE
Committee Report: OTP

H-516 KANE H S

SUMMARY: The bill corrects a confusion arising from last year's amendment of the protection from abuse statutes to permit protection from abuse orders to be acquired when a child is being abused by a family or household member. The problem arose because the definition of "abuse" in the protection from abuse law was not also amended so that it refers to abuse by an adult on a child rather than only to abuse between adults.

A House Amendment was added to the bill to make it clear that a parent or other person responsible for the long-term care of a child within a household may appropriately use a reasonable degree of force to the extent he reasonably believes it necessary to prevent or punish a child's misconduct.