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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

LD AN ACT REGULATING FULL-CONTACT KARATE KNOWN AS ND LD 2212
1899 KICK-BOXING

Sponsor: BRANNIGAN, Murray, Kerry, Bustin
Committee Report: OTP-ND-NT

SUMMARY: See LD 2212.

LD AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF INTINERANT ND LD 2129
1908 VENDORS

Sponsor: BERUBE
Committee Report: OTP-ND

SUMMARY: See LD 2129.

LD AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC LVWD
1909 EMPLOYERS FOR APPROVAL AS WORKERS'
COMPENSATION SELF-INSURERS

Sponsor: BUSTIN, Cote, Kerry, Stevens, P.
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill eliminates the requirement that a municipality must have a net worth of \$25,000,000 in order to self-insure for workers' compensation insurance. Instead, municipalities are allowed to self-insure if a reserve fund is kept. This amount is to be determined by an actuary. The bill also creates a lien interest against the property of a bankrupt employer for an injured worker's claim.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE FINANCIAL REPORTING PL 1985
1918 REQUIREMENTS OF INSURERS c. 636

Sponsor: BUSTIN, Mayo, Erwin, P., Armstrong
Committee Report: OTP-AM, ONTP

S-422 CA H S

SUMMARY: The bill requires certified public accountants to notify the board of directors of the insurer and the Superintendent of Insurance of an adverse financial condition if the insurer has materially mistated its financial condition in the annual statement. The bill also requires insurers subject to filing requirements to make the working papers of accountants available to the Superintendent of Insurance for review.

The majority report (S-422) deletes the provision in the bill giving access to working papers.

LD AN ACT TO CLARIFY CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF A
1929 PUBLICLY-HELD FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

ND LD 2225

Sponsor: BRANNIGAN
Committee Report: OTP-ND

SUMMARY: See LD 2225.

LD AN ACT TO PROMOTE FAIRNESS FOR HOME BUYERS
1962

LVWD

Sponsor: DIAMOND, J., Cote, Rydell, Bustin
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill provides that when an escrow account is required as a condition to the making of a mortgage, the mortgagee must pay interest on the account at a fair market rate.

LD AN ACT TO CREATE A MAINE CODE GOVERNING THE
1981 SALE OF CERTAIN COMMODITIES

ND LD 2196

Sponsor: BUSTIN, Aliberti, Martin, H., Telow
Committee Report: OTP-ND

SUMMARY: See LD 2196.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO THE UPDATE OF THE PHARMACY
1990 LAWS

LVWD

Sponsor: PERKINS, Bustin, Brannigan, Maybury
Committee Report: LVWD