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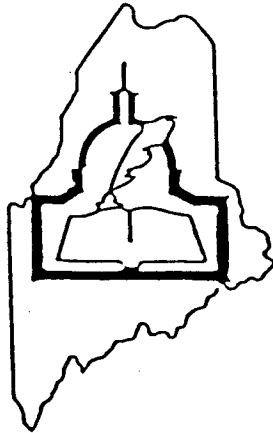
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged 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 CONCERNING THE OPEN TIME FOR POLLS ON
1861 ELECTION DAY

PL 1985
c. 580

Sponsor: STEVENSON, Whitcomb, Crowley
Committee Report: OTP-AM

H-536 CA H S

SUMMARY: Current law requires that all polls, except in municipalities of less than 100, must open no earlier than 6 a.m. and no later than 9 a.m., and must remain open until 8 p.m. The bill allows municipalities of 2,500 or less to delay opening their polls until 10 a.m.

The Committee Amendment extends the delay to municipalities of less than 4,000, to be consistent with the population line for the required number of voting booths.

LD AN ACT TO ALLOW RESTAURANTS AND OTHER
1902 ESTABLISHMENTS LICENSED TO SERVE ALCOHOLIC
BEVERAGES TO PURCHASE THESE BEVERAGES FROM
AGENCY LIQUOR STORES

ND LD 2192

Sponsor: MICHAUD, Vose
Committee Report: OTP-ND-NT

SUMMARY: See new draft, LD 2192.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO LIQUOR EXCISE TAXES AND
1905 FREIGHT RATES

ND LD 2323

Sponsor: REEVES, Trafton, Masterman, Rioux
Committee Report: OTP-ND-NT

SUMMARY: See new draft, LD 2323.

LD RESOLVE, TO PERMIT EDGAR WARREN TO SUE THE
1940 STATE FOR COMPENSATION FOR INJURIES INCURRED
WHILE HE WAS A WARD OF THE STATE

RESOLVE 1985
c. 87

Sponsor: BAKER, H.
Committee Report: ONTP, OTP

H-610 BAKER
H-739 CARTER H S
S-487 CONF COMM H S

SUMMARY: Edgar Warren was injured when he was 15 years old in 1941 while a ward of the State. This Resolve waives the Statute of Limitations and gives the State's consent to be sued.

House Amendment "A" (H-610) replaces the original resolve with an appropriation for \$25,000 to be paid to Edgar Warren as a full and final settlement of his claim. (Not enacted)

Committee of Conference Amendment "A" (S-487) replaces the original resolve with an appropriation for \$20,000 to be paid to Edgar Warren as a full and final settlement of his claim.

House Amendment "A" to Committee of Conference Amendment "A" (H-739) reduces the appropriation to \$10,000.

LD 1976 AN ACT TO SET STANDARDS FOR CARE IN WHITEWATER RAFTING LVWD

Sponsor: TRAFTON, Aliberti, Masterman
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill limits the liability of commercial whitewater outfitters to failure to maintain rafting equipment in a safe and reasonable manner. The bill was withdrawn by the sponsors because the problems it addressed are covered by L.D. 1795, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

LD 2007 AN ACT TO AMEND THE MAINE IMPLEMENTING ACT WITH RESPECT TO THE HOULTON BAND OF MALISEET INDIANS PL 1985 c. 672

Sponsor: INGRAHAM
Committee Report: OTP-AM

H-607 CA H S

SUMMARY: The Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians are federally recognized Indians under the Maine Indian Land Claims Settlement Act, United States Code, Title 25, Section 1725(2)(i).