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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 a Tana Pana 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

There are a number of different job classifications for which recruitment and retention are real problems. The Department of Personnel estimates that roughly 75 positions or 0.5% of all classified State employees are positions with recruitment and retention problems.

The State Government Study Subcommittee on State Employee Recruitment and Retention surveyed all State agencies to determine the number of positions for which recruitment and retention are very difficult. The various State agencies, together, listed 45 classifications and roughly 1500 positions (11% of State employee labor force) for which recruitment and retention are problems.

The committee amended the bill and rewrote it in its entirety. The revised version retains the requirements as outlined in paragraph 1 with the exception of the 10% differential provision in "d".

The revised version sunsets the stipend authorization on June 30, 1987. Any person receiving the stipend as of that date will continue to receive the stipend which will be reviewed every 2 years. The stipend may be reduced for successors to positions with stipends if labor market conditions warrant the reduction.

The Civil Service Policy Review Board will undertake a comprehensive examination of positions with recruitment and retention problems and develop policies which may include stipends to remedy these problems.

LD 2045 RESOLVE, CREATING A MAINE COMMISSION TO COMMEMORATE THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

PL 1985 c. 85

Sponsor: PRAY, Martin, J., Carpenter, Kane Committee Report: OTP-AM, OTP-AM

H-684	GWADOSKY		
S-443	CA	H	S
S-444	CB		
S-459	ANDREWS		
S-504	PEARSON	H	S

<u>SUMMARY:</u> LD 2045, in its original form, proposed to create a Commission to commemorate the bicentennial of the signing of the U.S. Constitution. The commission would consist of 7 members appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, the Governor, the Speaker of the House, and the President of the Senate. The commission was authorized to hire an executive director and clerical assistance, to apply for grants, and promote activities designed to focus public attention on the Constitution.

Since the bill was unconstitutional in its original form and violated the "Separation of Powers" principle, the bill was amended to establish the Office of Bicentennial of the Constitution within the Administrative Office of the Courts. This change removes the conflict with the provisions of Article V, Part First, Section 8 of the Maine Constitution.

LD AN ACT TO CLARIFY SALES OF SURPLUS VEHICLES 2047 AT STATE AUCTION

PL 1985 c. 569

Sponsor: COTE, Nadeau, G.R., Lacroix Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1758

SUMMARY: Please refer to LD 1758.

LD RESOLVE, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND 2049 RECREATION TO CONVEY BY DEED THE INTEREST OF THE STATE OF MAINE IN A CERTAIN PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF JACKMAN

RESOLVE 1985

c. 67

Sponsor: ROTONDI

Committee Report: OTP-AM

H-588 CA H S

SUMMARY: LD 2049 authorizes the transfer of 7 acres of land from the Bureau of Parks and Recreation to the Town of Jackman for public recreation purposes. The original planned use of this property was for a public boat access site for which the property is not suited. The public boat access site will be developed on town owned land. The land transferred to the Town of Jackman cannot be used for any other purposes, except public recreation.