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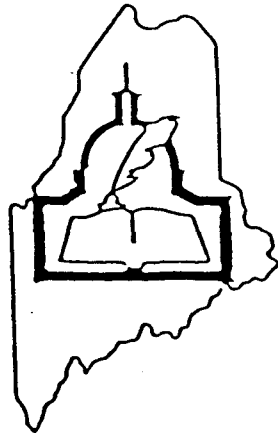
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged 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 CREATING THE CORNISH WATER DISTRICT
2002

P&SL 1985
c. 100
EMERGENCY

Sponsor: BLACK, Lord
Committee Report: OTP-AM

S-430 CA H S

SUMMARY: The bill creates the Cornish Water District and authorizes it to purchase the Cornish Water Company within 1 year after the first meeting of the Board of Trustees. There is no referendum clause.

Committee Amendment (S-430) conforms the language on the purposes for which rates may be established by the district to the standard language of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35, section 73, as amended. It is noted that the town has approved this bill in the referendum on November 5, 1985 by a vote of 140 to 76, so a further referendum is unnecessary.

LD AN ACT TO PROHIBIT MANDATORY LOCAL MEASURED ONTP
2093 SERVICE AND TO PRESERVE AFFORDABLE TRADITIONAL (GOES TO
FLAT RATE LOCAL TELEPHONE SERVICE AT AS LOW A REFERENDUM)
COST AS POSSIBLE

Sponsor: Initiated Bill
Committee Report: ONTP, OTP

SUMMARY: The bill prohibits mandatory Local Measured Service and requires traditional flat-rate service to be offered as the standard service. It also establishes a rebuttable presumption that, if more than 25% of the customers choose measured service, the price of flat-rate service is not "as low a cost as possible".

LD AN ACT CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES OF THE LVWD
2102 PUBLIC ADVOCATE

Sponsor: VOSE, Clark, H., Baldacci, Richard
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill changes the description of the status of professional employees of the Public Advocate from "serve during the pleasure" to "unclassified employees". This is the same as officers and employees of the judicial branch, the Legislature, the Governor's office, and the Attorney General's office among others, as listed in MRSA Title 5 §§931-952.