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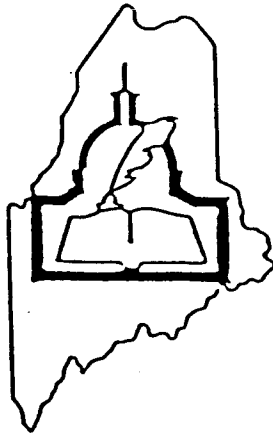
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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the Second Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged 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 RESOLVE, AUTHORIZING A CONTINUATION OF THE  
2170 STUDY OF THE UTILIZATION OF VACANT BUILDINGS  
AT PINELAND

RESOLVE 1985  
c. 76

Sponsor: CARROLL for the SPECIAL COMMISSION  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: The First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature established the Special Commission to Study the Utilization of Vacant Buildings at Pineland Center. This resolve is a result of the preliminary report. It directs various state agencies to report to the commission on the feasibility of using the vacant buildings at Pineland Center and it extends the commission to December 3, 1986, in order to evaluate the results of those reports and finally complete the commission's work.

LD AN ACT TO CONTINUE USE OF COMPUTER MATCH  
2175 PROGRAMS TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF PUBLIC  
ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS

PL 1985  
c. 668

Sponsor: BUSTIN, Manning  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill repeals the April 1, 1986, sunset provision of the law which enables the Department of Human Services to continue to use computer matches with financial institutions to determine continued eligibility of public assistance recipients. Through October 1985, 94 cases were identified by computer match and have been removed from public assistance programs.

LD AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY  
2207 OF RESIDENTS IN BOARDING CARE FACILITIES

ND LD 2401

Sponsor: GAUVREAU, Melendy  
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 2401

SUMMARY: This bill sought to amend the law concerning boarding homes and adult foster homes as follows:

1. It defines the term "boarding care facility" to include both boarding homes and adult foster homes.
2. It permits adult foster home operators to become guardians of residents if the department determines suitability of the individual.

3. It prohibits employees of boarding care facilities from becoming conservators of the estates of residents.
4. It changes the minimum size of a boarding home from 3 beds to 5 to eliminate the overlap with adult foster homes.
5. It changes the present requirement of certification of unlicensed personnel who administer medications in boarding homes of 15 or more beds to require certification of personnel who administer medications in any size boarding home.
6. It amends the fire safety requirements for boarding care facilities to reflect changes in the Life Safety Code adopted by the State Fire Marshal.
7. It defines the source of funds for state assisted residents to pay authorized boarding care facilities.

The committee reported out a new draft (LD 2401). See new draft, LD 2401.

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| LD<br>2221 | AN ACT TO AMEND THE ANNUAL OPERATING-UNDER-THE-INFLUENCE REPORT AND TO ESTABLISH A STATE-OPERATED EVALUATION PROGRAM WITHIN THE DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES | PL 1985<br>c. 688 |
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Sponsor: ROLDE, McGowan, Jacques, Clark H  
Committee Report: OTP-A

H-651 CA H S

SUMMARY: This bill amended the information that must be included in the annual operating-under-the-influence (OUI) report and sought to establish a state-operated evaluation program within the Driver Education Evaluation Program (DEEP) of the Department of Human Services.

The OUI report changes are being made to:

1. reflect changes that have been made in the OUI law since 1982;
2. enhance the report by adding information that will make the report more complete;
3. remove requirements for data that is unavailable, not easily accessible, very expensive to generate or irrelevant to decision-makers; and
4. change the submission date from March 1st to May 1st. The data used to produce the report is not available for review and interpretation until the end of February of each year. Two months are needed for statistical analysis, interpretation of data and development of the report.