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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
MAY 1988**

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. The summaries are arranged by LD number under each committee.

All Adopted Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor for floor amendments. Final action is listed to the right of the title. If final House and Senate action differ, both are listed. Committee Reports and Floor Action are indicated as follows::

OTP	Ought to Pass
OTP-ND	Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT	Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-A	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

Each individual summary was prepared by the analyst assigned, as noted for each committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including Secretaries: Charlene Brann, Janet Jean, Earl Knox, Valarie Parlin; Research Assistant Hartley Palleschi. Finally, Secretary Lorette Knox, Legal Assistant Carolyn Chick, and Research Assistant Robert Dunn had special responsibilities in the preparation of the overall document.

Please give us your suggestions and comments on these summaries and tell us of any inaccuracies.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

LD 36 An Act to Make Substantive Corrections in the County and Municipal Laws (Reported Pursuant to a Study by the Local and County Government Committee) PUBLIC 582 EMERGENCY

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
	OTP-AM	H-442 H-444 H-445

SUMMARY

LD 36 is one of the 3 bills created as part of the revision of Title 30. LD 36 makes several relatively minor substantive corrections to the county and municipal laws to reconcile conflicting statutes or to update archaic or ambiguous laws.

Committee Amendment B (H-442) made several minor changes to the LD, including the restoration of the fence-viewers law and ensuring that plantations continue to have the same eminent domain powers as they currently possess.

House Amendment A (H-444) clarifies a county's ability to provide law enforcement services in unorganized areas of the county.

House Amendment B (H-445) prevents the use of stickers by write-in candidates in municipal elections, except for primary elections.

LD 498 An Act to Require Reimbursement to the Counties when County Funds are Expended LV/WD

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
ROTONDI HOGLUND RAND BUSTIN	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

This bill would prohibit the passage of state laws or the adoption of agency rules that impose any additional expenses on the counties unless the State provides the necessary funds. The State Controller is to determine whether state laws or rules impose additional costs on the counties.