

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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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. 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 if it is a floor amendment or the designation "COMMITTEE" if it is a committee amendment.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

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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-A	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	Indefinitely Postponed

LD

70

AN ACT TO AMEND PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT PROCEDURES

PL 1987 c. 70

Sponsor: STROUT, D., Tupper, Tardy
Committee Report: OTP-AM
Amendment Adopted:
H-51 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: Requires that requests for poverty or infirmity abatements be brought within 3 years of commitment. The Committee Amendment permits the assessor to extend the 3 year period within which abatements may be made.

LD

76

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SALES TAX EXEMPTION ON THE SALE OF THE SELF-HELP LITERATURE ON ALCOHOLISM

LVWD

Sponsor: HOLLOWAY, Rolde, Seavey, Whitcomb
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill is intended to provide a sales tax exemption for "self-help" literature published for alcoholics anonymous groups. This provision is included in LD 1864.

LD

79

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR VETERANS

LVWD

Sponsor: JALBERT, Paul, Erwin, E.
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: Provides for increases in property tax exemptions for veterans and their dependents. Beginning in tax year 1988, World War I veterans' benefits will increase from \$6,000 to \$8,000 and will increase by \$2,000 each year until 1990 and thereafter, when the exemption will be \$12,000. The increase for all other veterans will be from \$4,000 to \$6,000 for tax year 1988, \$8,000 for tax year 1989 and \$10,000 for tax year 1990 and thereafter.

See also LD 1720.