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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 53 AN ACT RELATING TO ABSENTEE BALLOTING BY RESIDENTS OF NURSING HOMES, HOSPICES AND CONGREGATE HOUSING UNITS ND LD 947

Sponsor: MELENDY, Holloway, Priest, Kany
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 947

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 947.

LD 55 AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF QUESTIONS UNDER THE LOCAL LIQUOR OPTION ND LD 1467

Sponsor: NADEAU, G. R., Strout, D., Gould, R.A., Dillenback
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1467

SUMMARY: See New Draft LD 1467.

LD 74 AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF VOTING DEVICES PL 1987 c. 96

Sponsor: DIAMOND, Bost, Cote
Committee Report: OTP-A
Amendments Adopted:
H-65 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: This bill allows the Secretary of State to make reasonable rules concerning the use and type of voting devices to limit the cost of producing ballot materials or to avoid voter confusion caused by differing voting systems. The bill also removes a reference to "special marking devices" because electronic voting systems do not use any.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-65) allows the Secretary of State to make rules, but gives municipalities flexibility. Municipalities may choose a device or system approved by the Secretary of State, but, if the device or system is not also recommended by the Secretary of State, the municipality must pay the State the difference in costs incurred by use of the not recommended device or system.

LD 83 AN ACT CONCERNING "BEANO" OR "BINGO" ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS ND LD 1642

Sponsor: RACINE, Murphy, E. Greenlaw, Pouliot
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1642

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 1642.