

# 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.

Please let us know if you would prefer a different format or additional information and if the summaries are helpful.

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  
96

AN ACT TO PROVIDE BETTER GEOGRAPHIC  
REPRESENTATION OF THE AREAS AFFECTED BY BOARDS  
AND COMMISSIONS

LVWD

Sponsor: COLLINS, Lisnik  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: LD 96 proposed that the appointing authority of any board (Governor, Speaker of the House, President of the Senate, Commissioner, etc.) be required to select members representing different geographical areas and different economic sectors affected by the board.

The Statement of Fact declares that the intent is to insure that local interests are represented on boards.

LD  
107

AN ACT REGARDING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MAINE  
COMMITTEE ON AGING

ND LD 780

Sponsor: MARTIN, J., Pray  
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 780

SUMMARY: See New Draft LD 780.

LD  
132

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH NEW YEAR'S DAY AS A STATE  
HOLIDAY

LVWD

Sponsor: BALDACCI, Gill  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: LD 132 proposed to make New Year's Day a business and school holiday on which most businesses and the schools will be closed. Currently, businesses may remain open on New Year's Day, and school boards are authorized to keep schools open on New Year's Day. The law (17 MRSA §3204) exempts many businesses from the mandatory business closing or holiday provision.

Testimony at the public hearing from businesses at some of Maine's shopping malls, indicated that these businesses boomed on New Year's day. Most of the businesses, when asked, indicated that employees were not forced to work on New Years' Day and were allowed to volunteer to work that day.

Under LD132, the opening of malls on News Years' Day is based on the decisions of the "anchor stores." If the major stores, (anchor stores) decide to remain open, all other stores in the malls are required to remain open.