

# 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  
276

AN ACT RELATING TO USABLE DATA UNDER THE STATE  
CONSTRUCTION WAGE LAW

ONTP

Sponsor: RANDALL, Willey  
Committee Report: ONTP

SUMMARY: LD 276 proposed to change the manner in which the State calculates the "fair minimum rate of wages" for State contracts. Present law requires the Bureau of Labor Standards to calculate the prevailing wage rates throughout the State in the construction industry by surveying all construction employers with 5 or more employees. LD 276 proposed to increase the size of the survey by including all construction employers with 2 or more employees.

LD  
283

AN ACT TO ALTER THE APPOINTMENT OF FACT FINDERS  
BY THE MAINE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

LVWD

Sponsor: GAUVREAU, Paradis J, Andrews  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: LD 283 proposed to change the manner in which fact finders are appointed and paid under the Municipal Public Employees Labor Relations Law. Present law provides that the Director of the Maine Labor Relations Board will appoint the fact finding panel, ordinarily composed of 3 members. The compensation for these fact finders are split equally by the parties to the process. LD 283 provided for each party to appoint its own interested fact finder with the Director selecting a 3rd, neutral fact finder. Each party would pay the compensation for its own fact finder and 1/2 the cost of the neutral member.

LD  
297

AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE INFORMAL CONFERENCE  
PROCESS FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS

PL 1987  
C. 454  
EMERGENCY

Sponsor: PRIEST, Willey, Dutremble D,  
Committee Report: OTP-A  
Amendments Adopted:  
H-22 COMMITTEE  
S-10 DUTREMBLE

SUMMARY: LD 297 proposed to authorize the addition of one more employee assistant for the Workers' Compensation Commission, making a total of 11 assistants.