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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

application for an operators license. It would have extended the validity of the permit from one year to 18 months. The bill would also have prohibited persons under the age of 17 from operating a motor vehicle on a public way between midnight and 6 a.m..

Committee amendment "A" (H-287), was presented as the minority report and changed the length of the permit period to not less than 3 months, which could have been waived by the Secretary of State if the applicant had proof that there was no other means of transportation to and from school or work.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE MAINE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY ND LD 1806 308 ACT.

Sponsor: HIGGINS, Macomber, Whitmore, Dutremble D

Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1806

SUMMARY: See New Draft LD 1806.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO THE SUSPENSION OF MOTOR LVWD 312 VEHICLE LICENSES FOR REFUSAL OF CHEMICAL TESTS.

Sponsor: GAUVREAU, Marsano, Conley Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill would have eliminated the cumulative suspension feature of Maine's implied consent (to submit to a chemical test) law. It would have allowed the automatic suspension of a license resulting from a refusal to take the test to be deducted from the suspension resulting from a conviction on operating under the influence. At present, the two suspensions are additive.

LD AN ACT CONCERNING THE LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES OF ONTP
388 PERSONS OPERATING A TRUCK WITH AN UNCOVERED
LOAD.

Sponsor: GREENLAW

Committee Report: ONTP

SUMMARY: This bill would have defined the registered owner of a vehicle of which any part of a load falls to the ground, as the operator of the vehicle for the purposes of responsibility for any damage caused by a falling load.

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