

# 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 371** AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE EMPLOYEES LABOR RELATIONS ACT BY ALLOWING 3-YEAR LABOR CONTRACTS

PL 1987  
c. 33  
EMERGENCY

Sponsor: CLARK, Perkins, Diamond, Murphy T,  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: LD 371 allows the State to negotiate with its employees for collective bargaining agreements that extend 3 years, rather than the previous limit of 2 years.

**LD 372** AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE COMBINING OR MERGER OF EXISTING BARGAINING UNITS REPRESENTED BY A SINGLE BARGAINING AGENT UNDER THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC EMPLOYEES LABOR RELATIONS LAW ONTP

Sponsor: HANDY, Dutremble D,  
Committee Report: ONTP

SUMMARY: LD 372 proposed to amend the Municipal Public Employees Labor Relations Law to make it easier to merge existing bargaining units, both of which are represented by the same bargaining agent. Under the bill, the employer and the bargaining units need not agree to the merger so long as the Director of the Labor Relations Board found that the merged units would create an appropriate bargaining unit and a majority of the affected employees approved the merger.

**LD 386** AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BOARD OF ARBITRATION AND CONCILIATION

PL 1987  
c. 460

Sponsor: GWADOSKY, Handy  
Committee Report: OTP  
Amendments Adopted:  
S-11 DUTREMBLE  
S-242 PEARSON

SUMMARY: LD 386 proposed to increase the per diem compensation of members of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation from \$50/day to \$75/day.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-11) made technical corrections to the bill's appropriation section.

Senate Amendment "B" (S-242) deleted the entire appropriation section since funding had been included in the Part II budget.