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BILL SUMMARY



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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

LD AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL LICENSE LVWD 400 PLATES FOR USE BY ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD.

Sponsor: GILL, Tuttle, Erwin E, Baldacci Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill would have authorized the issuance of special license plates to active members of the Maine Army and Air National Guard for use on their personal vehicles. The intent was to help identify guardsmen, facilitate movement in the case of emergency, and to enhance recruiting and retention programs within the Maine National Guard.

LD AN ACT CONCERNING LOADS CARRIED IN CERTAIN ONTP 409 VEHICLES.

Sponsor: HANDY, Usher, Pouliot, Foss Committee Report: ONTP - OTP-A

SUMMARY: The purpose of the bill was to make it a civil penalty to cause injurious substances to be placed on bridges or ways. It also made it a civil offense to operate on a highway any open truck unless the load was covered. Farm vehicles were exempt.

The committee amendment offered as a minority report would have extended the exemption to include vehicles engaged in plowing and sanding in addition to farm vehicles. The amendment also included an allocation of \$756,000 for the first year and \$133,000 for the second year of the biennium.

LD AN ACT TO ENABLE THE DEPARTMENT OF ONTP
436 TRANSPORTATION TO PRODUCE THE STATE MAP.

Sponsor: ROTONDI, Hepburn, Strout D, Pray Committee Report: ONTP - OTP

<u>SUMMARY:</u> The bill would have required the Department of Transportation to produce highway maps of the state and make them available at no cost to the public. The appropriation was \$330,500 for the first year.

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