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BILL SUMMARY



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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 AN ACT RELATING TO LEGAL STATUS OF  
447 PARTNERSHIPS

PL 1987  
c. 92

Sponsor: WARREN  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: LD 447 proposed to allow partnerships and limited partnerships to sue and be sued in the partnership name.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO JUDGMENT LIENS AND DIVORCE  
448 LIENS

LVWD

Sponsor: WARREN  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill sought to have liens against property arising from civil actions run with the land. In this way, a lien placed on property held in joint tenancy, where only one of the tenants was a defendant in the civil action, would continue to attach to the land even if the defendant died, thus causing the entire property to become that of the other joint tenant. The bill also sought to amend the statute concerning a nonowner spouse seeking to preserve, during the pendency of a divorce, a claim of marital property in property owned by the other spouse by a recording in the registry of deeds. The bill sought to require even owner spouses to make such a recording.

LD RESOLVE, TO ESTABLISH A COMMISSION TO STUDY  
451 TREATMENT PROTOCOL FOR SEVERELY INCOMPETENT PATIENTS

INDEF PP

Sponsor: GAUVREAU, Bustin, Gill, Rolde  
Committee Report: OTP-A  
Amendments Adopted:  
S-18 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: As amended, the bill sought to establish a commission to review the status of medical treatment and protocol for severely injured or extremely ill individuals when no reasonable expectation of recovery exists.