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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 TO ESTABLISH A FLUCTUATING CREDIT CARD LVWD
490 CHARGE

Sponsor: BUSTIN, Tracy, Racine
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill establishes a variable rate credit card rate system in Maine, with quarterly adjustments, while maintaining the 18% interest rate cap. The variable rate is based on the average yield on 3-month treasury bills for the period immediately preceding the quarter in question.

LD AN ACT TO REGULATE CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT LVWD
500 COMMUNITIES

Sponsor: CLARK, M., Clark, N., Melendy, Manning
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill is one of two bills introduced seeking to regulate continuing care retirement communities. This bill requires the Bureau of Insurance to issue certificates of authority to monitor these communities.

See also LD 1859, the new draft of LD 672.

LD AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND SIMPLIFY THE MAINE PL 1987
503 CONSUMER CREDIT CODE c. 129

Sponsor: CLARK, N., Dillenback, Theriault, Curran
Committee Report: OTP-AM
Amendments Adopted:
S-48 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: This bill makes technical changes to the Consumer Credit Code and eliminates ambiguities in certain terms, procedures, rights and remedies. Some changes are made to blend with Regulation Z, the federal Truth-in-Lending regulation. The bill eliminates a provision in the Code that prohibits the capitalization of more than 60 days interest on a loan refinancing. The bill changes current law to allow a creditor to rewrite a loan at any rate within the rate ceiling instead of an increase of no more than 1%. The bill also includes a 2-year "sunrise" provision which will re-enact current law unless the Legislature affirmatively acts.

Committee Amendment A (S-48) made several technical changes and deleted controversial sections regarding class action suits and home solicitation sales.