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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 519 RESOLVE, TO PERMIT REGINALD AND ALICE HUARD TO ND LD 1570
SUE THE STATE FOR COMPENSATION FOR LOSSES
SUFFERED AS A RESULT OF FALSE CLAIMS OF CHILD
ABUSE INSTITUTED BY THE STATE

Sponsor: CARTER, Kany, Brannigan, Priest
Committee Report: OTP-ND-NT LD 1570

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 1570.

LD 534 AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE DISPOSAL OF BLANK LVWD
ELECTION MATERIAL WITHIN 60 DAYS OF THE
ELECTION

Sponsor: HALE, Sproul, Carroll, Tuttle
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill would allow municipal clerks to dispose
of unused ballots and unused absentee ballots 60 days after
the election. Current law, including federal law, requires
that the clerk keep all election materials for 22 months.

LD 544 AN ACT TO ALLOW POLITICAL CANDIDATES AND LVWD
MEMBERS OF THEIR CAMPAIGN STAFF TO APPEAR
OUTSIDE VOTING PLACES

Sponsor: RACINE
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: Current law prohibits the display of any
advertising material within 250 feet of the voting place or
the registrar's office on election day. This bill would
clarify that the prohibition does not apply to candidates
and their staff distributing campaign literature outside
the voting place.

LD 565 RESOLVE, DIRECTING THE MAINE LOTTERY COMMISSION ONTP
TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF MAKING PAYOUTS TO GAME
AND LOTTERY WINNERS

Sponsor: ARMSTRONG
Committee Report: ONTP

SUMMARY: Under current practices, winners in the Tri-State
Lotto are paid the prize in 20 equal installments over 20
years. This resolve would direct the State Lottery
Commission to work with Vermont and New Hampshire in
renegotiating the contacts relied on to pay winners of the
Tri-State Lotto, also known as "Megabucks," to pay the
winners in a single lump sum the entire amount of prize
money which they have won.