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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

AN ACT TO CREATE THE MAINE HEALTH POLICY COUNCIL PL 1987 666 c. 498

Sponsor: MARTIN J, Gauvreau, Gill, Manning Committee Report: OTP-A Amendments Adopted: H-206 COMMITTEE H-219 DIAMOND S-245 PEARSON

SUMMARY: The State Health Coordinating Council, a federally funded health planning agency, was terminated during 1987 due to the elimination of federal funding. The Maine Health Policy Advisory Council was created by this bill to maintain a state wide health policy advisory agency dealing with issues related to health statute and promotion and health care delivery. The amendments made technical changes to the bill.

LDAN ACT TO ESTABLISH A BEHAVIOR STABILIZATION LVWD 667 PROGRAM UNDER THE MENTAL HEALTH AND RETARDATION LAW

Sponsor: ROLDE,

LD

Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill sought to establish a new state-operated program to provide secure treatment facilities for adolescents with difficult emotional and behavioral problems.

LD AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN LVWD 705 INFORMATION UNDER THE REPORTING OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT LAWS

Sponsor: GILL, Kimball, Taylor, Conley Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill would have relieved mental health professionals from their responsibility to report suspected child abuse or neglect when the suspected abuser sought treatment for that abuse and when there is little threat of serious harm to the child.