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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

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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



Sponsor: SCARPINO

Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill proposed eliminating the requirement for matching local funds in the Department of Education's Innovative Grant Program for schools. Because the state share of the grant is based on the percentage state share in the school funding formula, school units with high property valuations are not eligible to receive grants. The bill was referred to the Governor's task force on school finance.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO GEOGRAPHIC ISOLATION GRANTS. LVWD 688

Sponsor: SCARPINO

Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill proposed eliminating the requirement that a geographically isolated unit raise its total local mill rate share before being eligible for a geographic isolation grant. The property wealthy, geographically isolated, low student population island communities perceive themselves to be put at a disadvantage by the requirement of having to raise their total local mill rate share before being eligible to receive a grant based on their geographic isolation. The bill was referred to the Governor's task force on school finance.

LD AN ACT TO ALLOW THE MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY TO
714 AWARD AN ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN YACHT
OPERATIONS AND BOATYARD MANAGEMENT.

P&SL 1987 c. 26

Sponsor: RICE, Gould RR Committee Report: OTP-A

Amendments Adopted:

H-114 BROWN H-98 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: Originally, this bill would have allowed the Maine Maritime Academy to confer an Associate of Science Degree in Yacht Operations and Boatyard Management. The bill was amended in committee to delete reference to yacht operations and boatyard management and to grant the Maine Maritime Academy general authority to offer Associate of Science degrees. The House amendment makes a technical correction in the committee amendment.

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