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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JUNE 1987

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

The Business Advisory Board consists of 15 members; including: 6 private sector members (paper, tourism, farming, defense, leather goods, and electronics) selected by the Governor in consultation with the Chamber of Commerce; 1 bank executive selected by the Governor in consultation with the Maine Banker's Association; 4 public sector members (Director of the State Development Office, the Director of the State Planning Office, and the Departments of Transportation and Labor selected by the commissioners); 2 members (Senior Administration from the University of Maine System and the VTI System); 1 member appointed by the Governor in consultation with the AFL-CIO; and 1 member chosen by the Natural Resources Council of Maine.

The Business Advocate, appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the Governor, was held responsible for:

- A. reviewing existing and proposed legislation with respect to its impact on business
- B. assisting businesses in their dealings with State agencies, and
- C. improving the State's relationship with business.

The Business Advocate was required to have 10 years of business experience within and outside Maine including experience as a senior manager in a firm with 500 or more employees and as a senior manager in a firm in one of Maine's 5 largest industries.

The intent of the bill, according to the Statement of Fact, was to create and promote a positive business climate in the State of Maine. In addition, the bill proposed to make Maine citizens aware of the importance and contribution of business to the State.

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AN ACT TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS IN LABOR MARKET AREAS FACING SUDDEN AND SEVERE ECONOMIC DISLOCATION

ND LD 1747 EMERGENCY

Sponsor: PRAY, Martin, J., Dutremble, D., Gwadosky Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1747

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 1747.