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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.

Please let us know if you would prefer a different format or additional information and if the summaries are helpful.

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

ballots. In addition, the municipal clerk shall designate one or more times during the 30 days before an election during which the clerk will be present in each facility for the purpose of absentee balloting by the residents.

House Amendment "A" (H-43) (not adopted) would allow candidates to deliver absentee ballots to licensed boarding homes and congregate housing, but not to nursing homes.

House Amendment "B" (H-45) (not adopted) would have deleted the provision which prohibits candidates from taking absentee ballots to nursing homes, boarding homes or congregate housing. (This amendment was improperly drafted or printed so the text did not do what the Statement of Fact outlined.)

House Amendment "C" (H-46) (not adopted) would allow the clerk to elect to follow the process for absentee ballots as created in the original bill.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-19) (not adopted) would allow a voter, who is a resident of a nursing home, boarding home or congregate housing unit, the right to request that a candidate deliver the absentee ballot.

LD 948 AN ACT RELATING TO DRINKING ON PUBLIC BEACHES PL 1987 c. 59

Sponsor: McSweeney
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 193

SUMMARY: The original bill would make it a crime for any unauthorized person to be in possession of an open container of liquor at or on a public beach, amending the Public Drinking Law.

The New Draft amends the Public Drinking Law by adding to the definition of "public place" public beaches.

LD 949 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE MAINE STATE POLICE PUBLICATION AND CONTINUING EDUCATION P&S 1987 c. 47

Sponsor: BALDACCI, Martin, J., Usher
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 463

SUMMARY: The original bill would repeal the chapter of law which prohibits solicitation by or for the benefit of any law enforcement officer, agency or association.

The New Draft provides funds to help the State Police produce a publication, which must include new changes in Maine law. The funds may also be used for continuing education.