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BILL SUMMARY



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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

The Governor proposed a much more comprehensive bill to address this issue. The bill provides \$5,000,000 of loan guarantees; \$1,000,000 of bond monies to provide direct, low interest loans through FAME; and \$2,800,000 (from oil overcharge revenues) for commercial and residential tanks. In recognition of the Governor's proposal before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, this bill was withdrawn.

LD 977 RESOLVE, REQUIRING THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPROVE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY CURRICULUM TO BETTER PREPARE MAINE STUDENTS FOR THE WORLD OF WORK ND LD 1831 EMERGENCY

Sponsor: REPORT
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1831

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 1831.

LD 986 RESOLVE, ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION TO STUDY THE LINKAGES BETWEEN EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Reported Pursuant to a Study by the Economic Development Committee Pursuant to Resolves, Chapters 45 and 53 of 1985) LVWD

Sponsor: REPORT
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: LD 986 proposed to create a 17 member commission to study the link between education and the economy and to develop a program to educate the public about the importance of education to Maine's economic development. The task force would be composed of the following: 8 legislators; 4 members from the general public appointed by the Governor; the Chancellor of the University of Maine System; the Executive Director of the VTI System; the Commissioner of Education; the Commissioner of Labor; and the Director of the State Development Office.

The Task Force was required to:

- A. review recent research on the link between education and the economy;
- B. evaluate current education programs;
- C. establish priorities among the many education programs based on their impact on economic growth; and

- D. develop a forum for educators, businessmen, legislators, and the economic development community to discuss their needs.

The Task Force would have been required to hold a minimum of 4 hearings throughout the State to obtain information for an economic development strategy and for economic development goals and objectives. The reporting date was to the First Regular Session of the 114th Legislature.

LD AN ACT TO ENHANCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT THROUGH LVWD
1024 PROMOTION OF FILM-MAKING IN MAINE

Sponsor: DIAMOND, McGowan, Mills, Clark, N.
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: LD 1024 proposed to create a full-time Film Office with the State Development Office to attract film makers, advertisers, and video makers to Maine and use Maine for the location and scenes in their works.

LD 1024 created the Maine Film Advisory Board, consisting of 11 members appointed by the Governor, to advise the Maine Film Office. The members of the board were required to be involved in a related business (related to film making, advertising, etc.) or possess experience with media marketing or public relations.

The bill was withdrawn but the provisions of this bill were incorporated in LD 1808 which creates the new Department of Economic Development. LD 1808 changed the title of the office from the Maine Film Office to the Maine State Film Commission.

LD RESOLVE, CREATING THE PORTSMOUTH NAVAL LVWD
1098 SHIPYARD ECONOMIC POLICY COMMISSION

Sponsor: TUTTLE, Estes, McPherson, Rolde
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: LD 1098 proposed to create a 6 member commission to undertake a study of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard with respect to its economic viability. The commission would consist of; 2 senators appointed by the Senate President; 2 Representatives appointed by the House Speaker; 1 person representing shipyard management appointed by the Governor; and 1 person representing shipyard workers appointed by the Governor.

The Commission would consider the need for state assistance to the shipyard, guidelines for acquisition of contracts, labor issues, etc.

The Commission would report its findings to the Second Regular Session of the Legislature.