

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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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

LD AN ACT TO PERMIT THE USE OF STATE AGENCIES TO LVWD  
1067 HOUSE COUNTY INMATES IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.

Sponsor: PARADIS P, Norton  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The purpose of this was to specify conditions in providing alternatives of counties when county detention facilities become overcrowded.

This bill would have authorized the transfer of inmates of overcrowded county jails to temporary detention facilities in state armories when no reasonable remedial service exists as an alternative. However, the only inmates who would have been allowed to transfer to state armories were persons found guilty of Class D and Class E crimes, misdemeanors, and who had not committed crimes involving offenses against other people, public indecency, criminal use of explosives, sexual offenses and other similar crimes.

LD AN ACT TO INSTITUTE A LITERACY EDUCATIONAL LVWD  
1174 PROGRAM IN STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.

Sponsor: BOST, Carroll, Manning, Thistle  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The purpose of this bill was to authorize the Commissioner of Corrections to provide literacy programs by a variety of means to prisoners and juvenile clients. The proposal failed passage because the Department of Corrections stated they already had the authority to implement literacy programs and such programs were already in existence.

LD AN ACT TO CREATE REGIONAL DETENTION AND LVWD  
1279 EVALUATION CENTERS FOR THE SECURE CONFINEMENT OF JUVENILES.

Sponsor: ANTHONY, Connolly, Foss, Bustin  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This proposal was intended to provide additional capacity within the correctional system to evaluate juveniles for the court and to securely detain them.

At present, the Maine Youth Center is the sole facility which is capable of providing secure detention and evaluation.