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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.

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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

LD AN ACT TO AID IN ENFORCEMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT ONTP  
1287 PAYMENTS

Sponsor: DUFFY, Paradis, P., Vose, Parkins  
Committee Report: ONTP (Majority)  
ONTP-ND (Minority)

SUMMARY: The new draft sought to require the Department of Human Services to publish in newspapers, not more than 4 times a year, the names of no more than 10 persons delinquent in child support payments for at least 3 years and in an amount of at least \$5000.

LD AN ACT TO REQUIRE PHYSICAL CONTACT BEFORE A LVWD  
1292 DOG OWNER MAY BE LIABLE FOR DAMAGES CAUSED  
BY HIS DOG

Sponsor: WEYMOUTH, Dow  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: LD 1292 proposed to require physical contact between a dog and a person or property before the dog's owner may be found liable for any injury or damage to the person or property.

LD AN ACT TO MODIFY THE STATE'S APPEAL LAW TO PL 1987  
1302 PERMIT APPEALS OF ADVERSE INTERMEDIATE c. 234  
APPELLATE COURT RULINGS BY THE STATE EMERGENCY

Sponsor: BRANNIGAN, Paradis, P., Black, Cote  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: LD 1302 authorizes the State to appeal to the Supreme Judicial Court when the Superior Court, sitting as an intermediate appellate court, issues a ruling adverse to the State in any criminal action.

LD AN ACT TO MODIFY THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS' PL 1987  
1305 PROVISION OF THE MAINE CRIMINAL CODE AND MAINE c. 222  
JUVENILE CODE SO THEY CLEARLY CROSS-REFERENCE  
ONE ANOTHER

Sponsor: BRANNIGAN, Paradis, P., Thistle, Handy  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: LD 1305 rewrites the statute of limitations section of the Juvenile Code to reflect the similar provisions of the Criminal Code.