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BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JUNE 1987

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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

PL 1987

Sponsor: VOSE

Committee Report: OTP-A

Amendments Adopted: H-191 COMMITTEE

<u>SUMMARY:</u> This bill allows school administrative units to employ a superintendent part-time.

H-191 - The committee amendment makes a technical amendment to separate provisions dealing with part-time employment from provisions dealing with full-time employment of superintendents and to place each in a separate subsection.

LD AN ACT TO EXTEND THE REPORTING DEADLINE FOR THE PL 1987
1300 TEACHER AND ADMINISTRATOR CERTIFICATION STUDY. c. 84

Sponsor: ESTES, Bost

Committee Report: NOT REFD TO COMTE

SUMMARY: This bill extended the reporting date of the Joint Standing Committee on Education on its review of the teacher and administrator certification laws from prior to April 1, 1987 to prior to May 1, 1987. The bill was enacted without reference to committee.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION.

INDEF. PP

Sponsor: CLARK N, Perkins, Soucy, Hichborn Committee Report: New draft of LD 137

SUMMARY: The original bill would have increased the debt limit on new school construction from \$35 million to \$55million.

The new draft retained the new \$55 million limit but changed the basis upon which the limit was to be calculated. Under present statute the limit is on the actual debt service. The new draft proposed putting the limit on the amount approved by the State Board of Education. Since not all of the projects approved are actually funded at the school unit level, basing the limit on approvals rather than actual debt service would have eased the State Boards problem in estimating the number of projects they can approve. In addition, since there is a built-in lag between the State Board's approval, a school