

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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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  
1299

AN ACT RELATING TO THE CAPITALIZATION OF THE  
MAINE CAPITAL CORPORATION

PL 1987  
c. 186

Sponsor: TWITCHELL  
Committee Report: OTP-AM  
Amendments Adopted:  
S-64 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: This bill clarifies the definition of the term "capitalization" for purposes of the Maine Capital Corporation and raises the maximum investment in one business from 20% to 25% of equity capital.

LD  
1337

AN ACT TO INCREASE MAINE'S SALES TAX TO 6% AND  
TO USE THE FUNDS GENERATED TO SUPPORT THE  
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, THE MAINE  
VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL INSTITUTE SYSTEM AND  
IMMEDIATELY INCREASE THE STATE'S SHARE OF  
EDUCATION FUNDING TO 65%

CARRY-OVER

Sponsor: NUTTING, Smith, Thistle, Joseph  
Committee Report: CARRY-OVER

SUMMARY: This bill shifts the costs of funding all levels of education in the State.

It raises the sales tax to 6%. The additional revenue will be used, in part, to improve existing educational funding. The State's share of school funding will be raised to 65% of the total cost; the University of Maine System will receive an additional \$24,000,000 and the Maine Vocational-Technical Institute System will also receive an additional \$4,000,000.

This bill was held over by the Committee.

LD  
1353

AN ACT TO REFUND COUNTY FUEL TAXES

PL 1987  
c. 456

Sponsor: LISNIK, Martin, J., Ingraham, Collins  
Committee Report: OTP-AM  
Amendments Adopted:  
H-246 COMMITTEE  
H-267 MAYO

SUMMARY: Allows counties to file refund claims for purchases of motor fuel occurring after January 1, 1984, for which the statute of limitations has expired.

The House Amendment extends the same treatment to municipalities.