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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

or local, and limited the amount of reimbursement to a maximum of \$500. It also provided that any recovery under the bill would not be deducted from any subsequent civil judgment but would instead entirely bar any other civil action based on the same facts.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO THE RELOCATION OF THE PL 1987
1404 SOUTHERN DIVISION OF THE 10TH DISTRICT COURT c. 133

Sponsor: McPHERSON, Rolde Committee Report: New Draft of LD 898

SUMMARY: The original bill proposed to relocate the District Court for the Southern Division of York County from the town of Kittery to the town of York.

The New Draft, LD 1404, permits the District Court to be relocated until February 1, 1989, to a site to be determined by the Chief Judge of the District Court. After that date, the District Court must be located in York.

LD RESOLVE, TO ESTABLISH THE COMMISSION TO STUDY INDEF PP
1405 ADOPTION LAWS AND PRACTICES

Sponsor: ANTHONY, Clark, M., Gill Committee Report: New Draft of LD 837

SUMMARY: The new draft sought to create a commission to undertake a review of all laws and rules relating to adoption and of the approaches to adoption taken by agencies, physicians, attorneys, probate judges, unwed pregnant teenagers, adoptees, birth parents, and adoptive parents.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO AGGRAVATED TRAFFICKING OR

1414 FURNISHING SCHEDULED DRUGS UNDER THE MAINE
CRIMINAL CODE

ND LD 1882

Sponsor: TAYLOR, Higgins, Twitchell, Webster, C. Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1822, LD 1823

SUMMARY: The original bill proposes mandatory sentences for convictions based on the furnishing of or trafficking in scheduled drugs to persons under 16 years of age; the furnishing of or trafficking in scheduled drugs in, on, or within 1,000 feet of a school or campus; and the furnishing of or trafficking in scheduled drugs where the offender has previously been convicted of drug law violations. The bill also proposes making possession of cocaine a felony; broadening the hypodermic apparatus law by making it a crime to furnish, as well as traffic in, those devices, and increasing the penalty from a Class C felony to a Class B

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