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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 CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS OF
1426 PRACTICING LAW

LVWD

Sponsor: WARREN, Gauvreau, Bustin, Racine
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill sought to require each practicing attorney to accept at least one pro bono case per year. The attorney would not have been able to renew his license without proof of this acceptance.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE MAINE JUVENILE CODE TO
1429 PROVIDE GREATER FLEXIBILITY IN SENTENCING
JUVENILE OFFENDERS

PL 1987
c. 297

Sponsor: GAUVREAU, Warren, Marsano, Cote
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: Under the Juvenile Code as it existed prior to the enactment of this bill, the Juvenile Court could impose incarceration of up to 30 days in a county jail facility only if an underlying commitment to the Maine Youth Center was ordered. The bill allows the Juvenile Court the added option of imposing a county jail sentence of up to 30 days without requiring an underlying sentence to the Youth Center.

LD AN ACT TO INCREASE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM
1450 PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN THE CARE OR CUSTODY OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

LVWD

Sponsor: MCPHERSON, Maybury, Whitmore, Macomber
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: The bill sought to require a court ordering custody of a child to someone other than a parent under the divorce laws, Juvenile Code, or the Child and Family Services and Child Protection Act, to order the parents to pay child support if the court finds they have the ability to pay.

LD AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE ATTORNEY
1451 GENERAL TO REQUEST TELEPHONE RECORDS

PL 1987
c. 260

Sponsor: PARADIS, P., Tracy, MacBride, Marsano
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: The bill permits the Attorney General, a deputy attorney general, or a district attorney to seek court-ordered access to records of interstate