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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
1490

AN ACT REQUIRING THAT INFORMED CONSENT BE GIVEN
TO THOSE PERSONS TESTED FOR THE PRESENCE OF
ANTIBODIES TO HTLV-III

PL 1987
c. 443

Sponsor: MARSANO, Dellert, Farnum, Brannigan
Committee Report: OTP-A
Amendments Adopted:
H-325 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: This bill, as amended, requires informed consent prior to administering the HIV antibody test. This bill enacts the following provisions concerning informed consent:

1. It adds a definition of informed consent.
2. It requires individuals give their written informed consent to the test except when the test is done for research purposes or for donations of human body parts.
3. It adds a section defining anonymous testing sites established by the Department of Human Services and exempts the anonymous testing sites from the requirement that the informed consent be in writing.
4. It requires insurers who require HIV tests to submit the written informed consent of the applicant on forms approved by the Superintendent of Insurance.
5. It adds a requirement for post-test counseling.

In addition, this bill makes two technical changes to the Chapter: (1) it changes the designation of the virus from "HTLV-III" to "HIV" and it reallocates the entire chapter of law concerning AIDS from §§17001 - 17006 (PART 20) to §§19201 - 19206 (PART 22). Two other bills were enacted by the Legislature this year amending this chapter (LD 1515 and LD 1538). They are included in this reallocation to avoid conflicting statutes.

LD
1491

AN ACT TO REQUIRE MINIMUM EVACUATION STANDARDS
FOR BOARDING CARE FACILITIES

PL 1987
c. 304

Sponsor: SEAVEY, Randall, Usher, Boutilier
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill requires specific performance standards for resident evacuations in fire drills in boarding care facilities.