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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

LD AN ACT TO ELIMINATE REFERENCE TO 'STANDARD 1526 PREMIUM' IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION SELF-INSURANCE LAWS

PL 1987 c. 272

Sponsor: LEBOWITZ, Collins, Aliberti, Racine Committee Report: OTP-AM Amendments Adopted:

H-175 COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: This bill defines the term "standard premium" in workers' compensation insurance laws.

Committee Amendment A (H-175) adds punctuation for clarity and changes one word in the title which was technically incorrect.

AN ACT RELATING TO NONRENEWAL OF AN AUTOMOBILE PL 1987 LD INSURANCE POLICY DUE TO ACCIDENTS INVOLVING 1527 c. 261 PROPERTY DAMAGE

Sponsor: MACBRIDE, Sheltra Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: Current law permits an insurer to refuse to renew an automobile insurance policy if the insured is involved in 2 or more accidents resulting in property damage in excess of \$300. This bill increases that threshold from \$300 to \$500.

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF THE LDND LD 1780 1537 SUPERINTENDENT OF INSURANCE TO ASSIGN RISKS FOR WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Sponsor: MARTIN, J., Rydell, Theriault, Bustin Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1780 (Majority) ONTP (Minority)

SUMMARY: See New Draft, LD 1780.

LD AN ACT AMENDING THE ASSUMED PAYROLL OF PL 1987 c. 284 1540 PARTNERSHIPS AND SOLE PROPRIETORS IN A SELF-INSURED GROUP

Sponsor: REED, Sheltra, Stevens, A., Brannigan Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill provides a procedure to determine the assumed annual wage for the purpose of determining workers' compensation insurance premiums purposes for partnerships and sole proprietors. Current law establishes the presumed payroll to be \$200 per week. This amount is replaced by the new procedure which is based on the average annual wage in the State during the prior calendar year.

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