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BILL SUMMARY



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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 TO EXTEND THE SUNSET PROVISION OF THE PL 1987  
1515 MAINE REVISED STATUTES, TITLE 5, SECTION 17004 c. 309

Sponsor: GILL, Strout B, Rydell, Gauvreau  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill extended the provisions of the current law which prohibit an insurer from asking if a person has obtained an HIV antibody test. The current provisions were scheduled to sunset on October 1, 1987. This bill extended the sunset date until October 1, 1988.

LD RESOLVE, TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF MENTAL RESOLVES  
1534 HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION TO CONTINUE TO c. 19  
EMPLOY CHARLES E. MEREDITH, M.D., AS SUPERINTEND- EMERGENCY  
ENT OF THE BANGOR MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTE

Sponsor: MAYBURY, Foster, Lebowitz, Diamond  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill authorized the Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to extend the employment of Charles E. Meredith as Superintendent of the Bangor Mental Health Institute waiving the restriction in Title 5 which prohibits interchange of governmental employees in excess of 12 months during any 36 month period.

LD AN ACT ALLOWING RESTRICTED DISCLOSURE OF HTLV PL 1987  
1538 III TEST RESULTS WITHIN A FEDERALLY-MANDATED c. 283  
MILITARY TESTING PROGRAM

Sponsor: HICHBORN, Baldacci, Hillock  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill permits limited administrative disclosure of HIV Antibody Test results in conjunction with Federally mandated military testing program.

LD AN ACT RELATING TO CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS FOR ND LD 1727  
1539 ACCESS FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS TO PUBLIC FACILITIES

Sponsor: MACBRIDE, Gill, Gauvreau, Taylor  
Committee Report: OTP-ND LD 1727

SUMMARY: This bill sought to amend the current law regarding construction standards for making facilities accessible to the physically handicapped to reflect newly published specifications and future revisions. The new draft accomplishes that purpose by authorizing the Director

of the Bureau of Public Improvement to amend the standards by rule.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES LVWD  
1550 AND CHILD PROTECTION ACT

Sponsor: MCPHERSON, Macomber, Begley, Kerry  
Committee Report: LVWD

SUMMARY: This bill sought to make several changes to the Child and Family Services and Child Protection Act. Those changes include provisions which make it clearer that out-of-court statements by juveniles are not limited to interviews conducted by the court in chambers, permits optional disclosure of department records to other state agencies, allows court testimony by other children in the household or in another household, and provides for 6 hour interim care of juveniles even when the parents object.

LD RESOLVE, CONCERNING THE TESTING OF SCHOOL INDEF. PP  
1563 BUILDINGS FOR RADON

Sponsor: KETOVER, Kany, Dore, Handy  
Committee Report: OTP-A  
Amendments Adopted:  
H-218 COMMITTEE  
H-238 MANNING  
S-122 USHER

SUMMARY: This bill, and its amendments, would have funded testing of school buildings for radon.

LD AN ACT TO REQUIRE RULEMAKING BY THE DEPARTMENT PL 1987  
1584 OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION REGARD- c. 305  
ING ADMINISTRATION OF CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCIT-  
ATION IN STATE INSTITUTIONS

Sponsor: DELLERT, Lebowitz, Manning, Gauvreau  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: This bill authorizes and directs the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to establish rules setting out procedures to be observed in cardiopulmonary resuscitation decision making by personnel at mental health and mental retardation institutions.