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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

Committee Amendment "A" (S-113) reduces the waiting period established by the bill before a new member may participate in the organization's games of chance.

LD 1582 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE POWERS OF ARREST OF A PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICER

PL 1987 c. 315

Sponsor: WHITMORE, Strout, D., Manning, Carroll Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: The current law governing the powers of arrest of a probation and parole officer are defined, in part, under Title 17-A and Title 34-A. This creates confusions when probation and parole officers arrest violators and attempt to have the courts revoke probation. This bill clarifies that a probation and parole officer may arrest a person under the supervision of the Division of Probation and Parole, rather than just those under the supervision of that officer. This does not change the powers of arrest of these officers.

LD AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY IN 1595 MAINE

INDEF PP

Sponsor: KANY, Dutremble, D., Martin, H., Hichborn Committee Report: New Draft Maj Report of LD 328 Amendments Adopted: S-80 KANY

SUMMARY: The original bill would establish a presidential primary for each party which certifies that there is a contest among candidates for nomination as the presidential candidate of that party. The primary would be held the first Tuesday in March or the same date as the New Hampshire primary, whichever is earlier, but not before January 1st.

The New Draft would allow the parties to set the date of the primary.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-80) makes a technical correction in the appropriation section.

Senate Amendment "B" (S-293) (not adopted) would require that the party or parties holding a presidential primary pay the costs of ballot printing and distribution.