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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 1748 RESOLVE, PERTAINING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PLAN FOR GREATER COORDINATION OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS (Reported Pursuant to Resolves Chat. 45 & 53 of 1985)

RESOLVE 1987 c. 38 EMERGENCY

Sponsor: SELECT COMMITTEE on Economic Development Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1254

SUMMARY: LD 1254 proposed to consolidate and coordinate job training and education programs that are currently scattered throughout state government. The Governor would have been required by the bill to report to the Joint Standing Committee on State Government by May 1, 1987, with his plan for a more effective delivery system of human resource development programs. The bill established a skeletal plan as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

- 1. All State funded Job Training Programs consolidated in the Department of Labor, except job training programs of:
 - A. Department of Education
 - B. University of Maine
 - C. Maine VTI system
 - 2. All Job Training Councils, Boards, Committees, etc., to be combined into a new State Council. At a minimum the following are to be included:
 - A. Maine Job Training Council
 - B. State Advisory Council
 - C. Maine Aid to Families with Dependent Children Coordinating Committee
 - D. Maine Occupational Information Coordinating Committee
 - E. State Apprenticeship and Training Council
 - F. Displaced Homemakers Advisory Council.

State Council

- 1. Integrate Planning and Delivery of job training programs.
 - Approve expenditure of job training funds.
 - 3. Approve regional job training operational plans.

Private Industry Councils (2)

1. Review operational plans of regional agencies and develop final plans for approval by the State Council.

Regional Agencies

- 1. All job training services and programs to be delivered by regional agencies:
 - a. may purchase services and
 - 1) local adult ed programs
 - . 2) U of M system
 - 3) Maine VTI System
- Prepare operational plans to be reviewed by the PICs.

The new draft assigned the Maine Human Resource Development Council was proposed to develop a comprehensive and coordinated employment and training system for the State. The council will monitor and evaluate various employment and training programs and make recommendations to the Governor for improvements in programs or services, or both, for the training, upgrading and retraining of Maine's workforce.

This new draft requires that the Governor report not later than July 1, 1988, to the Joint Standing Committee on Economic Development and the Joint Standing Committee on Labor with respect to the degree of progress achieved by the creation and operation of the Human Resource Development Council. This report shall include achievements accomplished by the coordination of the employment and training programs as well as issues which need to be addressed.