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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

substitutes by the employing school unit. Finally, the new draft would have increased the minimum daily compensation for teachers from \$30 to \$35 per day, except that teachers in the highest of the 4 categories would be paid at the same daily rate as beginning teachers after 20 days teaching in a school unit.

LD  
1754

RESOLVE, REQUIRING THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL SERVICES TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPROVE THE STATE'S ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM TO MORE ADEQUATELY ADDRESS THE PROBLEMS OF ILLITERACY AND HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION.

RESOLVE 1987  
c. 40  
EMERGENCY

Sponsor:

Committee Report: New Draft of LD 987

SUMMARY: The original bill was designed to carry out some of the recommendations of the Joint Select Committee on Economic Development. It would have required the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services to develop a plan to improve the State's adult education program to more adequately address the problems of illiteracy and high school completion and report to the Joint Standing Committees on Economic Development and Education prior to May 1, 1987. The department opposed the bill because the date for reporting was unrealistic and because the bill was too prescriptive as to what the plan was to contain and to accomplish, leaving little flexibility to the department in its development.

The new draft requires the department to submit an adult education plan to the Joint Standing Committees on Education and Economic Development by February 1, 1988. While requiring the plan to make recommendations which will provide universal adult basic education services, increase the level of state support for adult education services and address other related issues, the department is left with adequate flexibility on the way these issues will be addressed.

LD  
1760

AN ACT TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY TO NEWLY CON-  
STRUCTED AND RENOVATED EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

PL 1987  
c. 379

Sponsor: ANDREWS, Theriault, Handy, Lacroix  
Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: The original bill would have required the Commissioner of the Department of Educational and Cultural Services to provide for an inspection of a school construction project to determine compliance with the approved plans upon receipt of a petition alleging noncompliance from one or more persons residing in the