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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

authority for the taking of palm prints, footprints, and photographs;

establishing which law enforcement agency is responsible for securing mandatory fingerprints under various circumstances;

establishing the duty of the law enforcement agency taking fingerprints to submit the prints to the State Bureau of Identification; and

establishing 3 types of fingerprint record forms for use in submitting prints to the State Bureau of Identification.

LD AN ACT TO PREVENT CRIMINALS FROM PROMOTING AS INDEF PP
1775 AN INDIRECT RESULT OF THEIR CRIME
Sponsor: SEAVEY, Marsano, Gauvreau, Brannigan
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1091

SUMMARY: The new draft sought to require the establishment of an escrow account in the Attorney General's Office for the receipt of funds generated by contracts with persons accused of or convicted of crime for the reenactment of that crime through print, film, recording, live, or broadcast media. The funds were to be used for payment of money judgments obtained in civil actions by victims of a crime against the accused or convicted perpetrator. If an accused person is acquitted, any of his funds in the escrow account were to be returned to him. In any event, funds were to be released from the escrow account to the convicted person within 5 years of the establishment of the fund or within 5 years of the convicted person's release from prison, whichever is later.

LD AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE MARKETABILITY OF TITLES PL 1987
1776 c. 385

Sponsor: DORE, Gauvreau
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 307

SUMMARY: The new draft permits the clearing of title to a proposed, unaccepted way laid out on a recorded subdivision plan when the municipality has not vacated the way. When certain conditions are met, the proposed unaccepted way is deemed to be vacated. Persons claiming to own a proposed, unaccepted way deemed vacated may initiate a procedure that will confirm their ownership. The new draft also protects the owners of structures built within a proposed, unaccepted way by prohibiting actions to remove such structures after the passage of 20 years.