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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

LD 1799

> Sponsor: BRANNIGAN, Collins, MacBride, Ingraham Committee Report: Minority Report of New Draft of LD 703

SUMMARY: This new draft of LD 703 is the minority report. It provides for a study of the uncompensated victims of uninsured motorists, in order to determine whether a fund is necessary and the amount that would be needed.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE INVESTMENT PROVISIONS AND PL 1987
1821 CERTAIN RELATED SECTIONS OF THE MAINE INSURANCE C. 399
CODE

Sponsor: CLARK, N., Brannigan, Clark, H., Curran Committee Report: New Draft of LD 675

SUMMARY: The original bill (LD 675) amends the investment provisions of the Maine Insurance Code and places greater responsibility and accountability on the directors and officers of life insurers and health insurers for the setting and implementation of a prudent and balanced investment policy. It also removes, amends or adds various detailed investment restrictions, while retaining broad limitations, so as to give life insurers and health insurers greater flexibility in their efforts to achieve maximum investment returns for policyholders, consistent with safety.

This bill generally tracks comparable legislation enacted in 1983 in New York, the industry leader in insurance regulation.

The new draft makes several technical amendments. It also makes changes because of some concerns of the Bureau of Insurance.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW RELATING TO GROUP LIFE PL 1987
1845 AND HEALTH INSURANCE C. 476

Sponsor: REED, Clark, N., Aliberti Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1548

SUMMARY: The original bill (LD 1548) requires that no group health insurance may be offered in this State which is issued in another State unless the Superintendent of Insurance determines that the covered group is substantially similar to other groups listed in the law.