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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

the court finds the plaintiff has presented sufficient evidence to substantiate the alleged harassment;

when reasonable, the court or plaintiff makes an effort to notify the defendant that the plaintiff is seeking a temporary order; and

the court provides written reasons for its temporary order.

The bill's provisions for a full hearing, issuance of a permanent order, and enforcement of an order are similar to those existing in the statutes providing for protection from domestic abuse. The bill also makes harassment as defined in the bill a Class D crime. Finally, the bill requires the State Bureau of Identification to collect information on incidents of harassment.

LD 1805

AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN PROBATE LAWS

PL 1987 c. 392

Sponsor: CROWLEY, Paradis, P. MacBride, Brannigan Committee Report: New Draft of LD 802

SUMMARY: The new draft increases fees for filing petitions with registers of probate to probate wills and for filing petitions for appointment of guardians and conservators. The new draft also provides a statutory requirement for the filing of an updated certificate of appointment by the domiciliary foreign personal representative and domiciliary foreign conservator.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE MAINE JUVENILE CODE 1816

PL 1987 c. 400

Sponsor: STANLEY, Gill, Begley Committee Report: New Draft LD 1589

SUMMARY: The new draft authorizes a court to order parents to pay support for a juvenile offender committed to the Department of Human Services. The bill also authorizes payment by parents, if they can afford to pay and it is in the juvenile's best interests, of a juvenile offender's medical or psychological examination for purposes of a dispositional hearing; for the court to condition parental retention of custody of a juvenile or family members' receipt of treatment services; and for the court to return custody of a juvenile to one parent.