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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 RESOLVE, TO NAME THE ANDROSCOGGIN RIVER BRIDGE RESOLVE 1987  
1745 IN HONOR OF UNITED STATES SERVICEMEN WHO WERE c. 37  
PRISONERS OF WAR AND MISSING IN ACTION.

Sponsor: BICKFORD, Moholland, Callahan, Erwin E  
Committee Report: NOT REF'D TO COMTE

SUMMARY: The bill names the bridge crossing the  
Androscoggin River in Jay to the "Prisoner of War and  
Missing in Action Remembrance Bridge."

LD AN ACT RELATING TO THE MAINE TRANSPORTATION PL 1987  
1758 CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING COMMISSION. c. 484

Sponsor: THERIAULT, Martin J, Dow, Pray  
Committee Report:  
Amendments Adopted:  
S-187 THERIAULT

SUMMARY: The bill creates a Maine Transportation Capital  
Improvement Planning Commission. The Senate Amendment  
revises the Commission and specifically makes it an advisory  
commission to the Commissioner of Transportation.

LD AN ACT MAKING UNIFIED APPROPRIATIONS AND P&SL 1987  
1793 ALLOCATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURES OF STATE c. 39  
GOVERNMENT, HIGHWAY FUND, AND CHANGING CERTAIN EMERGENCY  
PROVISIONS OF THE LAW NECESSARY TO THE PROPER  
OPERATIONS OF STATE GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL  
YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1988, and JUNE 30, 1989.

Sponsor: DOW, Cahill, Moholland, Strout D  
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 558

SUMMARY: The original bill and the new draft make  
allocations from the Highway Fund.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE MAINE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY P&SL 1987  
1806 ACT. c. 457

Sponsor: HIGGINS, Macomber, Whitmore, Dutremble D  
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 308

SUMMARY: The original bill would have enabled the Maine  
Turnpike Authority to expand the number of lanes on the  
turnpike, removed the limit on the bonded indebtedness the  
authority may incur, and made changes to comply with  
provisions of the United States Internal Revenue Code  
concerning arbitrage earnings of tax-exempt bonds.

The new draft maintains the intent of the original bill to widen the turnpike. It retains the existing general debt limit of \$20 million and adds an additional \$66 million bonding authority to carry out the widening the the turnpike from Exit 1 to Exit 6A.

The senate amendment (S-209) would have replaced the bill with a Maine Turnpike Expansion Study Commission to study the feasibility of expanding the number of travel lanes in the Maine Turnpike.

LD 1834 AN ACT TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL ALLOCATIONS FROM THE HIGHWAY FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1987, JUNE 30, 1988 AND JUNE 30, 1989. PL 1987 C. 348 EMERGENCY

Sponsor: MACOMBER, McPherson, Dow  
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 522

SUMMARY: Both the original bill and the new draft make supplemental allocations from the Highway Fund to the Department of Transportation, the Department of Public Safety, and the Department of Motor Vehicles for highway related purposes.

LD 1852 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION TO CHARGE FEES TO NONGOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES FOR SERVICES PL 1987 c. 421

Sponsor: BRANNIGAN, Lacroix, Bickford, Sewall  
Committee Report: NOT REFD TO COMTE  
Amendments adopted:  
S-230 BRANNIGAN

SUMMARY: The bill allows the State Bureau of Identification to charge nongovernmental organizations for services it provides. The commissioner shall devise a fee schedule and credit 25% of the fees collected to the General Fund and 75% of the fees to the Highway Fund.

Senate Amendment A (S-230) credits 100% of the fees to the General Fund.

LD 1857 AN ACT TO AMEND THE TITLE LAWS OF MAINE. PL 1987 c. 485

Sponsor: MACOMBER, Strout D  
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 181

SUMMARY: This is a new draft of an omnibus bill making several clarifications, technical changes and other