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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

The Bureau of Intergovernmental Drug Enforcement consists of a director, an assistant director, task force investigative supervisors and task force investigative agents. In addition, the Attorney General and the United States Attorney for the District of Maine may assign task force attorneys to assist in the effort. The Intergovernmental Drug Enforcement Policy Board consists of, ex officio, the Commission of Public Safety, the Attorney General, the Chief of the Maine State Police and the United States Attorney for the District of Maine. The board's membership also includes 2 members to be appointed by the Governor.

LD AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC VIOLATIONS AT THE
1841 CAPITOL COMPLEX

PL 1987
c. 416

Sponsor: RACINE, Vose
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 799
Amendments Adopted:
S-200 USHER

SUMMARY: LD 700 would have instituted a minimum fine of \$10, with a maximum of \$25, for any parking violations at the capitol complex. It also allows the Commissioner of Public Safety to promulgate rules to allow the towing of any illegally parked cars on the complex.

The new draft allows the Commissioner of Public Safety to adopt, by rule, a schedule of parking violation fees to be approved by the Governor. The minimum fine is \$15 for each offense. It also extends the authority of the capitol police and the Commissioner of Public Safety to all parking areas designated by the Bureau of Public Improvements and the superintendent of the Augusta Mental Health Institute.

LD RESOLVE, TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR THE
1856 ADMINISTRATION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS
OF STATE EMPLOYEES

RESOLVE 1987
c. 51

Sponsor: DOW, Foster, Collins, Connolly
Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1162

SUMMARY: This new draft provides for the Commissioner of Administration to develop a plan for the department's administration of workers' compensation claims and for the creation of a line item in the budget for workers' compensation claims.

Currently, it is very difficult to determine the number and amount of worker's compensation claims by department and agency of state government. While each department and

agency administers the workers' compensation law for that department or agency the amount expended is not budgeted as a line item. As a result, it is difficult to obtain a clear picture of state worker' compensation claims.

LD 1162 proposed that the Commissioner of Administration develop a plan to centralize administration of state workers' compensation claims and to establish a line item for workers' compensation for state employees in the budget of each state agency. In addition, the bill required the commissioner to report to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs with respect to the costs and incidence of state workers' compensation claims by department.

LD 1873 RESOLVE, TO EXTEND THE EXISTENCE OF THE OFFICE OF BICENTENNIAL OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND THE REPORTING DEADLINE OF THE MAINE COMMISSION TO COMMEMORATE THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION RESOLVE 1987 55

Sponsor: PARADIS, J.
Committee Report: Engrossed Without Reference

SUMMARY: The purpose of the resolve is to extend the existence of the Office of the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution and to extend the reporting deadline of the bicentennial commission by 5 years until January 30, 1992.