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BILL SUMMARY



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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 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

amendments to the laws on certificates of title for vehicles.

LD 1872	AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR THE TRANSFER OF AUTHORITY TO ADJUDICATE TRAFFIC INFRACTIONS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE.	PL 1987 c. 495
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Sponsor: PARADIS P  
Committee Report: NOT REFD TO COMTE

SUMMARY: The bill delays the transfer of authority to adjudicate traffic infractions from the District Court to the Secretary of State for 2 years until January 1, 1990. The delay will allow additional time within which to prepare the necessary implementing legislation.

LD 1881	AN ACT TO AMEND A SECTION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE LAW.	PL 1987 c. 538
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Sponsor: DOW  
Committee Report:

SUMMARY: The bill corrects a provision in a bill enacted earlier in the Session. The provision would have prohibited an owner from removing personal belongings from a car which has been towed until the towing fee had been paid.

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