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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
MAY 1988**

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 for floor amendments. Final action is listed to the right of the title. If final House and Senate action differ, both are listed. Committee Reports and Floor Action are indicated as follows::

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

Each individual summary was prepared by the analyst assigned, as noted for each committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including Secretaries: Charlene Brann, Janet Jean, Earl Knox, Valarie Parlin; Research Assistant Hartley Palleschi. Finally, Secretary Lorette Knox, Legal Assistant Carolyn Chick, and Research Assistant Robert Dunn had special responsibilities in the preparation of the overall document.

Please give us your suggestions and comments on these summaries and tell us of any inaccuracies.

LD An Act to Change the Definition of Wine Coolers
2104

ND 2544

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
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LD An Act to Clarify Reporting Requirements under the Campaign Finance Laws
2109 PUBLIC
726

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
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SUMMARY

Although current law does not specifically address how campaign financing reports should include donations of items later sold at auction, the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices issued a ruling in 1987 requiring an initial reporting and then 2 other reports when the item is sold. The original bill would have required an initial report by the candidate, then an adjustment when the item is sold. The Committee reported out a New Draft, LD 2541.

The bill was recommitted to Committee, which reported out the bill a second time as amended.

The Committee Amendment "A" (H-607) was not accepted. It would have let stand the Commission's ruling, and would have closed the potential loophole for for first campaign reports. It would have changed the filing date for party nomination papers from April 1st to April 2nd. Ruled not germane.

House Amendment "A" (H-623) added the language closing the loophole for first campaign reports.

LD An Act Concerning Law Enforcement Education and Training and ND 2594
2120 Funding for Training (Reported Pursuant to a Study by the
Legal Affairs Committee)

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
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