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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 Laurette 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 Limit the Availability of Diet Drugs to Minors LV/WD
2223

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
DIAMOND	LV/WD	
GILL		
ROTONDI		
LACROIX		

SUMMARY

This bill sought to prohibit state residents from selling or giving away, or offering to sell or give away diet drugs to anyone under the age of 18. The bill also sought to prohibit any person under the age of 18 from importing diet drugs into this State through the mail. These prohibitions would not apply where the diet drugs are obtained by prescription or the resident is a physician or other person authorized to administer or distribute drugs.

The bill was withdrawn. The committee decided to refer the resolution of this problem to the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee for comment.

LD RESOLVE, to Establish a Joint Select Committee and an LV/WD
2236 Advisory Board on Long-Term Care Staffing Issues

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
BOUTILIER	LV/WD	
GILL		
PRAY		
PINES		

SUMMARY

This resolve sought to establish a Joint Select Committee on Nursing Staff Issues and an advisory board to address health care nursing needs, including availability, training and classification of nursing positions.

The bill was withdrawn. See LD 2203 for a similar study which was enacted.

LD An Act to Strengthen the Laws Concerning the Control of LV/WD
2258 Communicable Diseases

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
DELLERT	LV/WD	
GILL		
BEGLEY		
MACOMBER		

SUMMARY

This bill broadens the definition of communicable disease to include persons with an infectious condition who may not be diagnosed with an illness. It also specifically includes HIV infection as a dangerous communicable disease.

It clarifies the definition of an infected person to require more than a mere belief that the person is infected and gives the Department of Human Services the authority to designate occupational diseases as notifiable.

Although this bill was withdrawn, parts of it were incorporated into LD 2392.

LD An Act to Clarify the Law Relating to AIDS
2259

LV/WD

SPONSOR(S)

MARSANO
MAYBURY
BERUBE
MANNING

COMMITTEE REPORT

LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill sought to amend Maine's law on AIDS. It was concerned with defining "health care team", exceptions to confidentiality, medical records containing HIV test results and the penalty provision.

Concepts introduced by this bill, which was withdrawn, were incorporated into LD 2392.

LD An Act to Continue the Driver Education Evaluation Program
2298

PUBLIC
773
EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)

PERKINS
PINES
TAYLOR

COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

S-475

SUMMARY

This bill as amended incorporates relevant provisions of LD 2515. This bill changes the name of an alcohol or drug related motor vehicle "offense" to "incident", adds a definition of community-based service provider, allows the practitioner conducting the evaluation and the practitioner providing the treatment to be employed by the same agency, has the fees paid by the offender transferred to the General Fund, increases the fee for a multiple offender from \$300 to \$350, allows the department to waive all or part of the fees for multiple offenders, requires the courts to provide a written set of instructions to the offender at the time of sentencing, clarifies the role of the treatment counselor in the Secretary of State's decision to issue a restricted license, and establishes a sunset for the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 1602, on August 1, 1990.