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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::*

<b>OTP</b>	<b>Ought to Pass</b>
<b>OTP-ND</b>	<b>Ought to Pass in New Draft</b>
<b>OTP-ND-NT</b>	<b>Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title</b>
<b>OTP-A</b>	<b>Ought to Pass as Amended</b>
<b>ONTP</b>	<b>Ought Not to Pass</b>
<b>LVWD</b>	<b>Leave to Withdraw</b>
<b>INDEF PP</b>	<b>Indefinitely Postponed</b>

*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.*

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LD RESOLVE, Authorizing Gary Kelly, Daniel Kelly and the Estate ONTP  
2272 of Cynthia Kelly to Sue the State for Compensation for  
Wrongful Death and Other Injuries Suffered as a Result of a  
Motor Vehicle Collision

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

SUMMARY

This Resolve would have authorized the Kelly family to sue the State for damages suffered from the State's alleged negligence in plowing snow from a road, exposing an uneven road surface.

LD An Act to Require Motor Vehicle Ignition Interlock Devices LV/WD  
2281 for Persons with Restricted Driving Privileges Involving  
Drugs or Alcohol

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
KANY ALLEN SWAZEY KETOVER	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

This bill would have required the Secretary of State to develop a program for the use of ignition interlock devices. Instead, the Commission proposed by LD 2297, Committee Amendment "A" would look at the use of ignition interlock devices.

LD An Act to Enhance the Effectiveness of the Operating-Under- INDEF PP  
2297 the-Influence Laws

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
KANY ALLEN PRIEST JALBERT	OTP-AM	S-398 S-408 GAUVREAU

SUMMARY

The original bill would have established a commission to examine how effective current OUI laws are and how to improve them. The commission would have also reviewed the OUI information reporting system.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-398) revises the make up of the commission, and adds specific concerns to the subject matter to be reviewed: ignition interlock devices and "immediate" license suspensions. It also requires another review of the liquor liability law in 2 years.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-408) to Committee Amendment "A" adds members of the Human Resources Committee to the Commission membership.