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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.

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the Chamber of Commerce and 4 at large directors who must be residents and are elected by the voters. This bill requires that all directors be residents and eliminates the requirement that the above listed officials be directors.

A similar bill was passed in a special session last year. It differed from the current bill in that it prohibited most town officials from being Authority directors. This bill was vetoed by the Governor who was concerned with the fact that it did not appear to represent the desires of local residents, that is was developed in a unduly hasty fashion and that it was unnecessarily dealt with in a special session

LD 2339 RESOLVE, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Oxford County for the Year 1988 (Reported Pursuant to a Joint Order, HP1489) RESOLVE 081 EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
OTP

SUMMARY
This Resolve is the annual county tax and authorization bill for Oxford County. Total appropriations for the County are \$1,779,000, an increase of 7% over the previous year.

LD 2379 RESOLVE, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Hancock County for the Year 1988 (Reported Pursuant to a Joint Order; HP1489) RESOLVE 082 EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
OTP

SUMMARY
This Resolve is the annual county tax and authorization bill for Hancock County. Total appropriations for the County are \$2,026,000, an increase of 5% over the previous year.

LD 2404 RESOLVE, to Authorize a Transfer of Surplus Funds within the Franklin County Budget RESOLVE 089 EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
DEXTER OTP

SUMMARY
This Resolve allows Franklin County to transfer \$53,456 from surplus to the sheriff's account to make up for a 1987 deficit in that account.

A county is permitted to keep up to \$50,000 in a contingency account to be used in an emergency as determined by the Commissioners. This fund may be replenished from surplus at the end of the year. Franklin County has already used its 1987 contingency account but did at the end of the year have \$129,000 in surplus.