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**ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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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.

Services. School units providing such an educational program shall be reimbursed in the year their costs are incurred through an adjustment to the State share of the foundation allocation. Reimbursement to a unit is limited to (1) twelve students, (2) the State average tuition rate per student, and (3) funds appropriated for that purpose.

The committee amendment provides flexibility in the selection of the school administrative unit which will be responsible for providing the educational programs. The decision will be made by the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services in accordance with departmental rules based on specified criteria. That decision may be appealed to the State Board of Education. The amendment also adds an appropriation and an allocation section and amends the fiscal note.

LD An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Special **INDEF PP**
2385 Commission to Study Teacher Training in the University of
Maine System (Reported Pursuant to Resolve 1985, Chapter 52)

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
	OTP-AM	H-539

SUMMARY

This bill was introduced to implement the legislative aspects of the recommendations of the Special Commission to Study Teacher Training in the University of Maine System. Several aspects of the commission's recommendations are directed toward administrative action by the UMS and the Department of Educational and Cultural Services and are not included in the bill. The bill would have established a biennial review of teacher salaries by the Education Committee, expanded current law on sabbaticals for educators, encouraged school administrative units to offer sabbaticals by making the paid leave on allowable program expense under the School Finance Act, and established a program of summer grants for professional development of educators.

The committee amendment would have included state teachers and related classifications in the review of teacher salaries, clarified the return to service requirements of the sabbatical leave program, provided for the involvement of educators in the selection of summer grant recipients, and made several technical changes in the bill.

LD An Act to Create a Uniform School Unit Budgeting Process **PUBLIC**
2386 **669**

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
MARTIN J CARTER BOST ESTES	OTP-AM	H-517

SUMMARY

This bill creates a uniform school budgeting process by requiring the