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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 Require Licensure of Certain Railroad Personnel
2397 (Reported Pursuant to Public Law 1987, Chapter 5)

PUBLIC
790
EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)
BALDACCI

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-645
S-453 BALDACCI

SUMMARY

The bill requires certain categories of railroad personnel to be licensed in the state of Maine. The committee amendment which replaced the bill is substantially the same as the original bill. It added an emergency, limited the licensure requirement to 4 categories of personnel. These include carman, conductor, locomotive operator and train dispatcher. The amendment also added requirements for the licensing board to report to the Business Legislation Committee and an appropriations section.

The Senate amendment delayed the effective date of the licensure requirement and penalties until December 15, 1988. Senate amendment "B" (S-453) was enacted.

LD An Act to Amend the Cosmetology Laws
2408

PUBLIC
677

SPONSOR(S)
PARADIS J
MAHANY
ALLEN
KILKELLY

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill establishes qualifications, examination and licensing of aestheticians. The purpose is to provide an avenue of special licensing for persons interested only in the skin care aspect of cosmetology.

LD An Act to Regulate the Sale of Potentially Harmful Toys for LV/WD
2436 Children

SPONSOR(S)
KERRY
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SHELTRA

COMMITTEE REPORT
LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill requires that all so-called "war toys" bear conspicuous warning labels and that all toys which resemble firearms bear orange fluorescent stripes on their barrels. Under the bill, the burden of such labeling and marking rests on toy manufacturers.