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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::

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| 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 Lorette 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 Provide Maine Residents Access to Graduate Social LV/WD
2438 Work Education in Southern Maine

| <u>SPONSOR(S)</u> | <u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u> | <u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u> |
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| CLARK N SHELTRA DUTREMBLE D MURPHY T | LV/WD | |

SUMMARY

This bill would have provided a subsidy to the University of New England for each student enrolled half time or more in the graduate social work program at that university. The amount of the subsidy would have been the difference between the University of Maine System resident graduate tuition and the actual University of New England tuition or the UMS non-resident graduate tuition, whichever is less. The subsidy would have been paid from funds budgeted by the UMS for a graduate social work program at the University of Southern Maine.

The committee discussed the possibility of expanding or creating a new program paralleling the present Maine Student Incentive Scholarship Program to provide financial assistance to all graduate students. There was insufficient time to work out all the details of such a program so the committee asked the commissioner's task force on student financial aid to look at the issue.

LD An Act Relating to Absenteeism of Community School Directors ONTP
2444

| <u>SPONSOR(S)</u> | <u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u> | <u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| SMITH HANDY | ONTP | |

SUMMARY

This bill would have established that a vacancy in the office of school director in a school administrative district exists when a director is absent from three consecutive SAD school board meetings without the permission of the municipal officers of the town which he or she represents on the board.

Although this bill was not enacted, a similar provision was enacted as part of LD 2654.