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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 the Department of Human Services to **PUBLIC**
2455 Reimburse Home Health Agencies for the Reasonable Costs of **829**
Recruiting, Training and Retaining Qualified Nursing Staff

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
GILL MANNING GAUVREAU PINES	OTP-AM	S-401

SUMMARY

This bill was designed to help alleviate the long-term care crisis by increasing the reimbursement rates for home care staff. It established statutory criteria for determining the levels of reimbursement in rate structure established by the Department of Human Services for home health care providers. The Committee Amendment (S-401), adjusted the monthly limits on costs per individual receiving in-home services as an alternative to institutional care to at least \$1,878 for skilled level care and \$1,361 for intermediate level care. It also added a fiscal note, an allocation and an appropriation.

LD An Act to Require Employers to Develop and Implement Day **LV/WD**
2473 Care Plans

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
SIMPSON	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

This bill would have required employers to provide a day care policy and a list of area day care providers to their employees.

LD An Act to Establish Procedures for the Testing and Control **LV/WD**
2483 of AIDS

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
SEAVEY DELLERT DUTREMBLE D	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

This bill sought to establish procedures for the control of AIDS, including the establishment of contact tracing and anonymous contact referral programs by the Department of Human Services.

It also would have established the testing for exposure to AIDS of certain persons and required some employees with AIDS to notify their employers.

It also dealt with other notification issues and mandatory testing.