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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 Clarify the Access of the Commissioner of **PUBLIC**
2475 Educational and Cultural Services to Employee Records for **620**
 Certification of Educational Personnel

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
 BOST
 ESTES
 MATTHEWS K
 GOULD R A

SUMMARY
 New Draft Of LD 1966

The original bill repealed the provision of law providing for access by the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services for certification purposes to otherwise confidential school employee records.

The new draft clarifies that those documents are confidential, but provides for access by the commissioner for purposes strictly limited to his certification and school approval responsibilities. The new draft also clarifies an employee's right of access to documents in his file.

LD An Act to Add the Commissioner of Labor as an Ex Officio **PUBLIC**
2499 Member of the Board of Trustees of the Vocational-Technical **693**
 Institute System

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
 SMALL
 PARADIS J
 MATTHEWS K
 DUTREMBLE D

SUMMARY
 This bill adds the Commissioner of Labor as an ex officio member of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Vocational-Technical Institute System.

LD An Act to Clarify and Correct Errors and Omissions and to **VETO**
2501 Improve the Laws Relating to Education **SUSTAINED**

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
 ESTES
 SMALL
 RANDALL
 BOST

SUMMARY
 This bill is the Department of Educational and Cultural Services' omnibus bill to clarify and correct errors and omissions and to improve state education law. Several of the sections repeat provisions in last year's omnibus bill which was indefinitely postponed. The bill contains a section by section analysis in the Statement of Fact. The committee reviewed each section and proposed deleting several sections which were unnecessary and adding several new sections. In addition, a floor amendment to grandfather current