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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.

House Amendment "A" (H-543) requires a judicial finding of probable cause before a wiretap may be used and explicitly prohibits any violation of an attorney-client privilege.

## LD An Act Relating to the Time Limit for Delivering the Warrant PUBLIC 2529 or Process by Which a Prisoner is Detained 639

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### SUMMARY

New Draft Of LD 2042

The original bill, LD 2042, proposed to extend the time limit within which an officer must deliver a copy of the legal authority under which he is holding a prisoner from 4 to 24 hours after a request is made for that copy.

The New Draft, LD 2529, retains the present 4-hour requirement for prisoners held before trial, but extends the requirement to 3 business days for prisoners held after conviction.

LD	An Act Concerning High Speed Chases	PUBLIC
<mark>2552</mark>		678

SPONSOR (S)	COMMITTEE	REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED	
MCGOWAN			H-542	MARSANO
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#### SUMMARY

New Draft Of LD 1961

The original bill, LD 1961, proposed to increase the penalties for the crime of eluding an officer, authorized the forfeiture of violators' vehicles and required the Department of Public Safety to study new high-speed chase techniques.

The New Draft, LD 2552, deleted the forfeiture and study provisions and also increased the penalty for vehicular manslaughter from Class B to Class A if it occurs during a high-speed chase.

House Amendment "A" (H-542) simply redrafted the language of the vehicular manslaughter section of the LD.

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