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**STATE OF MAINE  
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SECOND REGULAR SESSION**



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**MAY 1988**

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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::*

<b>OTP</b>	<b>Ought to Pass</b>
<b>OTP-ND</b>	<b>Ought to Pass in New Draft</b>
<b>OTP-ND-NT</b>	<b>Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title</b>
<b>OTP-A</b>	<b>Ought to Pass as Amended</b>
<b>ONTP</b>	<b>Ought Not to Pass</b>
<b>LVWD</b>	<b>Leave to Withdraw</b>
<b>INDEF PP</b>	<b>Indefinitely Postponed</b>

*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.*

The resolve requires a \$6,550 General Fund Appropriation

**LD** An Act to Enhance Enforcement of the Handicapped Parking **PUBLIC**  
**2587** Laws **828**

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
BUSTIN		S-389 BUSTIN
ANDREWS		
DOW		
MCPHERSON		

SUMMARY  
New Draft Of LD 2282

Under present law, municipalities may enact police power ordinances providing for the establishment and policing of parking spaces designated for handicapped persons.

The new draft allows but does not require the sheriff to deputize volunteer parking enforcement specialists to enforce handicapped parking laws and ordinances in localities without municipal police departments under agreements with the owners of private parking lots; the volunteers must receive training and pass an examination devised by the Department of Public Safety. There is an appropriation of \$10,000 for the training manual. The new draft, like the bill, requires owners of off street parking to provide for enforcement of handicapped parking laws and ordinances. Failure to provide for enforcement is a civil violation with a minimum penalty of \$50.

The Senate Amendment (S-389) allows but does not require municipal police departments with the approval of the municipal officers to set up a volunteer parking enforcement program, or to contract with the sheriff to carry out the program.

**LD** An Act to Require Motor Vehicles to Stay in the Right Lane **PUBLIC**  
**2599** Except for Passing **683**

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
ERWIN E		
THERIAULT		
BALDACCI		
MILLS		

SUMMARY  
ND Min Rpt of 2216

This new draft extends the concept of the original bill to all vehicles. Except for emergency vehicles, all vehicles on limited-access roadways and highways where the speed limit is 65 miles per hour must stay to the right except when passing or unless otherwise directed by signs, by a law