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One Hundred and Fourteenth Legislature Second Regular Session

> Joint Standing Committee Bill Summaries

> > June 1990

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 for 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. Committee Reports and Floor Action are abbreviated as follows:

OTP-ND
OTP-ND-NT
OTP-A
ONTP
LVWD
INDEF PP

Ought to Pass
Ought to Pass in New Draft
Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
Ought to Pass as Amended
Ought Not to Pass
Leave to Withdraw
Indefinitely Postponed

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Joint Standing Committee on Education

LD 38

Resolve, Creating the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study the Most Effective Way to Provide Services to Children and Families (Reported Pursuant to Resolves 1987, chapter 110) INDEF PP

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

OTP-AM

H-739

SUMMARY

This bill was one of the legislative recommendations of the Special Commission on Early Childhood Development and Education. It would have established the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study the Establishment of a Cabinet-level Department of Children within State Government. The bill was carried over from the first session by the Education Committee and indefinitely postponed in the Second Session.

LD 83

An Act to Provide for State Sharing of Certain Minor Capital Costs (Reported Pursuant to Public Laws of 1987, Chapter 848)

INDEF PP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

OTP-AM

S-587

SUMMARY

This bill was carried over from the 1st Regular Session, after the committee had voted to recommend passage of the bill in amended form. As amended, the bill established a new method of reimbursing school administrative units for certain minor capital costs approved by the commissioner: asbestos removal, underground oil tank removal, roof repairs and renovations, and other health/safety/sanitation renovation required by law. These costs would be reimbursed as an adjustment to a unit's state subsidy, calculated by subtracting a local contribution based on 30% of costs from the total cost.

In the 2nd Regular Session, the committee again voted to recommend passage of the bill as amended by Committee Amendment "B" (S-587). Committee Amendment "B" includes the amendment from the First Regular Session, and an additional provision permitting reimbursement for costs to restore buildings to their original condition after removal of asbestos.

LD 326

An Act to Increase the State Share of Education Funding

LV/WD

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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PRAY

SUMMARY

This bill was carried over from the 1st Regular Session. It would have increased the minimum state share of education funding from 55% to 58% in fiscal year 1990-91 and to 60% in fiscal year 1991-92. It would also have increased the minimum allocation from 5% to 15%.