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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
AUGUST 1989

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. If final House and Senate action differ, both are listed. Committee Reports and Floor Action are abbreviated 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 Research Assistant Barbara McGinn, and secretaries: Charlene Brann, and Valarie Parlin, and especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

Please give us your suggestions and comments on these summaries and tell us of any inaccuracies.

Resolve, to Direct the Manufactured Housing Board to Provide Information to Purchasers of Manufactured Housing (Reported Pursuant to P & S Laws of 1987, Chapter 139)

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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-144

SUMMARY

This resolve stemmed from an interim recommendation of the Commission on Manufactured Housing, created by Private and Special Law 1987, chapter 139. The resolve requires the Manufactured Housing Board to produce a pamphlet, for distribution by retail sellers of manufactured housing, designed to educate potential buyers about aspects of ownership and selection of manufactured housing.

LD 60 An Act to Implement the Interim Recommendations of the Manufactured Housing Commission (Reported Pursuant to P & S Laws of 1987, Chapter 139)

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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-153

SUMMARY

This bill implements interim recommendations of the Manufactured Housing Commission, created by Private and Special Law 1987, chapter 139. See also LD 59 and LD 62. LD 60 deals with 3 of the commission's recommendations.

First, the bill amends the law regarding membership on the Manufactured Housing Board. The bill adds 3 additional manufactured housing owners to the board and brings the total to 4, the number of manufactured housing dealers on the board. The bill requires that 3 of the 4 homeowner representatives live in a mobile home park or similar rental community. A transition provision in the bill provides that, notwithstanding the bill's changes, current board members may serve until the expiration of their terms.

Second, the bill requires a licensed installer who installs a new or used mobile home, on a private lot or in a mobile home park, to notify the Manufactured Housing Board. The bill authorizes the board to collect up to \$10 per installation to cover administrative costs and the costs of responding to consumer complaints.

Third, the bill amends the law regarding design standards applicable to mobile homes.

The bill also allocates money derived from the installation notice fee to provide for one full-time compliance officer and one part-time clerical staff person.