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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.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

SPONSOR(S) GILL BRANNIGAN ANTHONY MANNING

<u>SUMMARY</u>

This bill provides for the establishment of a secure treatment unit at the Maine Youth Center to house and treat youths who cannot be effectively housed or treated within the existing housing units at the center. It targets a specific population of juvenile clients who pose a security risk and who do not respond to existing services provided by the center.

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

BUSTIN

S-272

Programs within this facility shall include, but not be limited to, the following: emphasis on rehabilitation; psychological counseling; after-care and follow-up services; and educational services.

The Senate Amendment added a fiscal note indicating that the \$5,020,000 cost of renovations for a 25 to 40 bed facility were in another bond issue bill. It estimated that the annual cost when completed would be approximately \$910,000.

The bill did not receive final approval from the Appropriations Committee.

LD 265	An Act to Clarify and Make Changes to the Statute Governing	PUBLIC 127
	the Operation of the Department of Corrections	

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED	
GILL	OTP-AM	S-50	
PERKINS		S-55	BUSTIN
MANNING			
HIGGINS			

SUMMARY

This bill does the following:

- 1. Changes sections of the statutes dealing with reimbursement procedures for supporting prisoners in county jails.
- 2. Authorizes the Commissioner to accept U.S. prisoners and juveniles for confinement in state correctional facilities even though the term of imprisonment is one year or less.
- 3. Clarifies the commissioner's authority to establish industries programs.
- 4. Removes recreation as a prisoner right.
- 5. Ensures that regular observations of persons in segregation for a period of time exceeding 24 hours are made when the facility physician or medical staff member is not present at the facility.
- 6. Extends the commissioner's authority to permit the use of prisoner labor in public works projects and in civil service such as fighting fires, etc. to include those prisoners in all state correctional facilities.

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