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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.

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service. This bill makes eligible for state insurance upon their ultimate retirement persons who left state employment with at least 15 years service, provided that they were enrolled in the state insurance plan at the time of leaving.

LD 482 **An Act Relating to Benefits for Members of the Maine State Retirement System Who Transfer from Positions Under Special Plans to Positions Not Under Special Plans**

PUBLIC 79

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BUSTIN
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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-42

SUMMARY

Under this bill, language is added to Title 5, section 17857 to address the situation of a person who is employed under a special retirement plan, is disabled from performing the duties of this position, but is able to work in a position that is not under a special retirement plan. Instead of being required to retire on disability retirement, this bill would permit the employee to transfer to a position which he would be capable of performing and, as long as he is unable to return to his previous position, he would continue to be covered by the special retirement plan.

Committee Amendment "A" allows the Maine State Retirement System to require yearly physical examinations of disabled special plan employees who have transferred to a job not under a special plan.

LD 525 **An Act to Facilitate Conversion of the Maine State Retirement System Records to an Automated System**

PUBLIC 95

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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-64
H-68 TAMMARO

SUMMARY

The purpose of this bill is to facilitate the conversion of the records of the Maine State Retirement System from a manual system to an automated system.

Committee Amendment "A" adds to the bill a provision which extends the law concerning partial payment of back contributions from dealing only with those payments which are interrupted by retirement to all partial payments and allows the board to determine by rule how to pro rate the credit given rather than adhering to a specific section of the law dealing with interest.

House Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" corrects technical errors in the amendment.