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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

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HUGLUNDCOMMITTEE REPORT

LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTEDSUMMARY

This bill deals with warranties for manufactured housing, including mobile and modular homes.

Mobile homes, but not all manufactured housing, are currently covered by a law requiring that for a one year period the manufacturer must correct substantial defects in materials or workmanship on site.

This bill eliminates the term "substantial defects" and substitutes "faulty materials, unskillful construction and failure to be fit for habitation" and adds a provision that the home must meet all standards for that type of housing. It extends the requirement for a warranty to all manufactured housing.

LD 864 An Act to Amend the Acupuncturist Licensing LawPUBLIC 307
EMERGENCYSPONSOR(S)

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COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

S-150

SUMMARY

Under current law, an applicant for a license to practice acupuncture must have a baccalaureate degree. This bill would require an applicant to have either a baccalaureate degree or a license to practice as a registered professional nurse.

Committee Amendment "A" changes the date when a license is required of acupuncturists new to the practice after September 30, 1987, from September 30, 1987, to August 9, 1989, and of practicing acupuncturists as of September 30, 1987, from September 30, 1988, to August 9, 1989. It also adds 2 sets of qualifications which allow practicing acupuncturists as of August 9, 1989, to be licensed under different qualifications than will be required in the future.

The bill is made an emergency measure in order to accommodate these changes.

LD 873 An Act Regarding Freelance Cosmetologists and Barbers

PUBLIC 162

SPONSOR(S)GURNEY
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OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

H-115

SUMMARY

In spite of its original erroneous title, this bill allows beauticians to practice cosmetology on persons at the person's place of business.

Committee Amendment "A" includes cosmetologists in the title and makes the same changes to the barbers' law as the bill made to the cosmetologists' law. With this amendment, both professions will be allowed