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FIRST REGULAR SESSION**



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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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.

LD 905 **An Act to Require a 90-day Delay in the Hiring of
Replacement Workers during a Labor Dispute**

OTP-ND LD 1756

SPONSOR(S)
RUHLIN

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-DN-NT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

LD 905 proposed to prevent the replacement of striking workers until 90 days after the commencement of the strike.

See NEW DRAFT/NEW TITLE -- LD 1756.

**LD 908 An Act to Create a Workers' Compensation Logging Industry
Fund**

CARRY OVER

SPONSOR(S)
GOULD R A
TRACY
MARTIN J
PRAY

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

LD 908 proposed to create a Workers' Compensation Logging Industry Fund established by a 1% assessment on all employers' and insurers' paid workers' compensation losses. The Fund would be used to reimburse employers in the logging industry for any expense of a workers' compensation claim over \$25,000.

LD 914 **An Act to Increase the Family Allowance under the
Unemployment Compensation Law**

**PUBLIC 363
EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)
BUSTIN
MATTHEWS
OLIVER
MCKEEN

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-194

SUMMARY

LD 914 proposed to increase the family allowance under the unemployment compensation law from \$5 per week for each eligible dependent to \$5 per day.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-194) made the bill an emergency, effective July 2, 1989; reduced the increase to \$10 per week per eligible dependent; and added a fiscal note.