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HUMAN RESOURCES**

**JULY 1989**

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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.

LD 877      An Act to Allow Recovery of Costs Incurred in Cooperating  
with Length-of-stay Reviews, Utilization Reviews and Related  
Activities by Managed Care Organizations, 3rd Party Payors  
and Governmental Entities

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COMMITTEE REPORT

LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would require the Maine Health Care Finance Commission to provide an adjustment to financial requirements to recognize the costs incurred by hospitals when they are required to cooperate with length-of-stay reviews, utilization reviews and related activities conducted by managed care organizations, governmental entities and other 3rd-party payors.

**LD 912**      An Act to Require Nursing Facilities to File Notice of  
Intent to Withdraw from the Medicaid Program and to Ensure  
the Continuing Provision of Services to all Residents in the  
Facility at the Time of Withdrawal

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would require nursing homes to file a notice of intent to withdraw from the Medicaid program with the Department of Human Services and to notify residents at least 30 days prior to withdrawal. Those facilities will also be required to continue to provide care, with specified exceptions, to all residents, regardless of payment source, residing in the nursing facility at the time of filing the notice of intent to withdraw. Once notice has been filed, residents will be provided with clear notice that the nursing home will not continue to care for them once private resources are exhausted, and the nursing home will provide for an orderly transfer to an appropriate care facility. The nursing facility would be required to repay on a regular schedule any funds reimbursed by the Medicaid program to the nursing facility to recapture depreciation. The Department of Human Services would reallocate the beds thus made available to other facilities in high priority areas of the State.

LD 913      Resolve, to Provide Certified Nursing Assistant Training at  
the Central Maine Vocational-Technical Institute

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This resolve creates a demonstration project to establish a curriculum for certified nursing assistant training and provides for ladders of advancement within the nursing profession. This demonstration