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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.

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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill revises the penalties for forgery to be consistent with the worthless checks penalties. (See LD 1097)

LD 1150 An Act to Strengthen the State Forensic Service

CARRY OVER

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill would require all forensic examinations to be done by the State Forensic Services. It also makes other clarifications.

Carried over to allow private providers to work out an agreement with the State Forensic Service.

LD 1151 An Act to Amend the Common Law Collateral Source Rule in Medical Professional Liability Cases

CARRY OVER

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

The bill would require a judge, after the verdict in a civil case, to automatically decrease the award by the amount of any collateral source payment.

Carried over with the other medical malpractice bills.