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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.

Please give us your suggestions and comments on these summaries and tell us of any inaccuracies.

LD 1141 An Act to Improve Individualized Treatment and Planning
Procedures for Long-term Care Clients

LV/WD

SPONSOR(S)

BUSTIN
BURKE
MELENDY
TITCOMB

COMMITTEE REPORT

LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would make uniform throughout Maine's system of long-term care procedures for assessing the needs of individual clients and tailoring programs to meet their needs. It would also provide the individualized treatment planning process with a set of articulated standards which ensure to each person in the system the least restrictive alternative for long term care and maximum feasible restoration of functional capacity. Finally, the bill addresses the need of Maine's long-term care system to have available to it data which identifies the needed services which are currently unavailable to long-term care clients.

The issues identified in this bill were included among the issues to be addressed by the study proposed in LD 747.

LD 1152 An Act to Amend the Adult Protective Services Act

PUBLIC 259
EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)

RANDALL
CLARK N
DELLERT
BOUTILIER

COMMITTEE REPORT

OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

S-142

SUMMARY

This bill amends certain sections of the Adult Protective Services Act to strengthen, expand and clarify the law. Changes in definitions include removing the term "willful" from the definition of abuse, expanding the definitions of "adult" to include emancipated minors, adding a definition of "sexual abuse", clarifying that the definition of "protective services" includes dependent adults, and clarifying the definition of "serious harm" for reporting to district attorneys.

This bill also includes certified nurse's aides under persons mandated to report abuse.

LD 1178 An Act to Amend the Family Planning Services Act

CARRY OVER

SPONSOR(S)

CLARK M
PINES
HEPBURN
BRANNIGAN

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill is intended to clarify the Department of Human Services' authority to adopt rules establishing income thresholds under which individuals may receive public assistance for the payment of family planning services, including medically accepted contraceptive procedures. These thresholds may exceed those established for determining Medicaid eligibility.