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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

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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-244

SUMMARY

This bill allows bowling centers to be licensed to sell spirits, wine and malt liquor for consumption on the premises.

Committee Amendment "A" requires that bowling center licensees derive at least 10% of their gross income from food, rather than liquor business, and that these licensees restrict the sale and consumption of liquor to a designated area away from the bowling lanes.

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COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill amends the law regarding electronic video game machines to allow use of machines which award the successful operator a cash prize. The bill limits the amount an operator may win per game to \$250 per game. The bill provides that the State will receive 10% of the gross earnings of these one-eyed bandits.

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COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-510
H-624 PRIEST
S-280 MATTHEWS

SUMMARY

This bill concerns municipal regulation of mobile home park developments. The bill requires that municipalities permit mobile home parks to expand and be developed in environmentally suitable locations. The bill dictates permissible lot sizes in parks with and without public sewer service. The bill restricts municipal regulation of setbacks, road frontage requirements, and requires the developer to demonstrate the park will not have unlawfully adverse environmental impact. The bill allows municipalities to enact and enforce aesthetic standards applicable to mobile home parks provided the intent of these standards is not to circumvent the bill's intent.

Committee Amendment "A" replaces the bill and describes in further detail the manner in which municipalities may regulate mobile home parks. The amendment decreases the minimum lot sizes. The amendment includes specific road construction standards a municipality may require in a mobile home park

