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**STATE OF MAINE  
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**BILL SUMMARY  
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ON  
HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
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 1265      An Act to Promote Maine's Participation in the Global  
Economy and to Enhance the Department of Economic and  
Community Development

LV/WD

SPONSOR(S)  
WEYMOUTH  
BAILEY

COMMITTEE REPORT  
LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

LD 1265 proposed to create the Division of International Programs within the Department of Economic and Community Development. The Division would develop and provide trade information and data, provide technical assistance to firms involved or interested in international trade, promote trade, provide matching grants, and develop and implement international investment programs.

There were no available funds to fund the bill.

**LD 1267**      An Act to Provide Local Educational Subsidies to Encourage  
the Development of Affordable Housing

LV/WD

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GAUVREAU  
ANDREWS  
OLIVER  
GILL

COMMITTEE REPORT  
LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

LD 1267 proposed:

- A. To provide a range of educational subsidies to municipalities for each unit of affordable non-rental housing created in each municipality. A non-rental housing unit is affordable if the sales price is affordable to persons with incomes of 80% or less of the median income for that municipality.
- B. That the range of subsidies be based on the sale price of each unit and different levels of income within a low income range.
- C. That the subsidies be determined by a formula based on median income.
- D. That the Commissioner of Education compute the amount of the subsidy in consultation with the State Tax Assessor, MSHA, and municipal inspectors.

The concept of this bill will be studied by the Committee in its study of obstacles to the development of affordable housing.