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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.

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and requires the Manufactured Housing Board to develop more detailed standards for review by the Legal Affairs Committee. The amendment limits municipal regulation of the amount of open space, the size of buffer strips and the location of utilities. The amendment also provides that generally applicable land use ordinances and other ordinances applicable to other residential development shall also be applicable to mobile home parks if they do not conflict with the bill's standards.

Senate Amendment "A" changes the bill's title.

House Amendment "A" adds an emergency clause and preamble. In addition, the amendment clarifies that municipal ordinances or regulations required by or adopted pursuant to Title 38, such as shoreland zoning ordinances, shall apply to mobile home parks. The amendment reinstates language in current law, but repealed by Committee Amendment "A", which deals with the relationship between siting mobile home parks and environmental standards. In general, the developer is required to show the park will not cause an adverse impact on environmental qualities, such as groundwater resources. The amendment also outlaws ordinances, not required by title 38, which restrict the number of lots in a mobile home park.

LD 1238

An Act to Increase the Enforcement Powers of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy

ONTP

|                   |                         |                           |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| <u>SPONSOR(S)</u> | <u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u> | <u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u> |
| ADAMS             | ONTP                    |                           |
| JOSEPH            |                         |                           |
| DUTREMBLE D       |                         |                           |

SUMMARY

This bill replaces the current system of certifying law enforcement officers with a licensing system. Under the licensing system, failure to complete the required in service training will result in non-renewal of a license to act as a corrections or law enforcement officer. The bill addresses a number of technical aspects of setting up and implementing the licensing system, including empowering the Maine Criminal Justice Academy's board of trustees to revoke, suspend or refuse to renew licenses and providing for transition between the current certification regime and a licensing regime.

LD 1269

An Act to Protect the Rights of Citizens During Labor Disputes and to Protect the Right of Peaceful Picketing

LV/WD

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|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| <u>SPONSOR(S)</u> | <u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u> | <u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u> |
| BUSTIN            | LV/WD                   |                           |
| OLIVER            |                         |                           |
| CONLEY            |                         |                           |

SUMMARY

This bill extends the prohibition against carrying a dangerous weapon at the site of a labor dispute or strike to include devices or implements usable as a weapon. The bill extends application of the prohibition to areas where an employer is attempting to recruit workers during a strike or dispute.