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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.

The bill failed to give the director of the office the necessary authority to implement the provisions of the bill. Other bills dealing with children were before the committee, and LD 1377 could be incorporated into a bill selected by the committee. In addition, the biennial appropriation required would have been roughly \$550,000.

**LD 1394**      **An Act Making Changes to the Composition of the Governor's Advisory Council on Alcoholism**      **PUBLIC 330**

| <u>SPONSOR(S)</u> | <u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u> | <u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| BUSTIN            | OTP-AM                  | S-180                     |
| MATTHEWS          |                         | S-200    BUSTIN           |
| ROLDE             |                         |                           |
| MAYO              |                         |                           |

SUMMARY

LD 1394 proposed that the 5 executive directors of the regional alcohol and drug abuse councils be included as members of the Maine Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment.

The Committee Amendment removed the ceiling figure of 5 executive directors and authorized the executive directors to appoint designees to represent them on the Council. Senate Amendment "A" increased the number of council members from 25 to 30.

**LD 1404**      **An Act to Expand State Agency Access to Applicant Lists**      **LV/WD**

| <u>SPONSOR(S)</u> | <u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u> | <u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| WHITCOMB          | LV/WD                   |                           |
| WENTWORTH         |                         |                           |
| LARRIVEE          |                         |                           |

SUMMARY

LD 1404 proposed that when state agencies hire classified employees through the use of registers of eligible applicants the hiring agency will receive the entire list of applicants and not a list limited to 6 names.

The bill failed to receive Committee approval for several reasons. For some job classifications, an entire list of applicants could include hundreds of names. The bureau of Human Resources is in the process of decentralizing hiring for many agencies and allowing many agencies to use direct hire procedures.

**LD 1412**      **Resolve, Concerning Grant of Easement**      **RESOLVE 34**

| <u>SPONSOR(S)</u> | <u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u> | <u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| BUSTIN            | OTP-AM                  | S-181                     |
| FARNSWORTH        |                         |                           |

SUMMARY

LD 1412 proposed that the State Bureau of Public Improvements grant an easement to the Hallowell Water District. The easement would be 50 feet wide by 926 feet long. The purpose of the easement is to allow the Water District to install an 8 inch water main to land owned by Maurice G. Blais.