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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-550) replaced the bill and limited the changes in current law to the following areas:

1. The level of 3,000 cycles per second was added to the frequencies at which compensable hearing loss is measured;
2. The ANSI background noise standard for audiometric testing was replaced with the OSHA standard; and
3. Benefits were to be calculated on the basis of the statewide average weekly wage rather than an individual's average weekly wage.

LD 1411 **An Act Relating to Payment for Mandatory Overtime Work on Sundays and Holidays** **ONTP**

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
BUSTIN	ONTP	
LUTHER		

SUMMARY

LD 1411 proposed to require an employer to pay 1 1/2 times an employee's usual hourly rate for work performed on a Sunday.

LD 1451 **An Act Concerning Compensation for Sunday Employment** **DIED BETWEEN HOUSES**

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
MCHENRY	OTP-AM MAJ	
CLARK H	ONTP MIN	
RAND		

SUMMARY

LD 1451 proposed to require an employer to pay twice an employee's usual hourly rate for work performed on a Sunday.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-498) restricted the application of the LD to manufacturing employers with over 250 employees and added an appropriation section.

LD 1474 **An Act to Establish a Statewide Contract for Teachers** **LV/WD**

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
DUTREMBLE D	LV/WD	
MARTIN J		
PRAY		

SUMMARY

LD 1474 proposed to establish a statewide contract governing the salaries, pension and insurance benefits for all public school teachers. The State would pay for costs incurred under the contract which would be negotiated between a single teachers' union and the state.