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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.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

BOST
ESTES
CROWLEY
NORTON

LV/WD

SUMMARY

The purpose of this bill was to increase legislative oversight of teacher and administrator certification issues and would have required the State Board of Education to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education twice a year on the progress of a study and review currently being undertaken by the board.

LD 1442 **Resolve, to Establish a Commission to Study the Provision of Services by Schools for Students Leaving Substance Abuse Treatment Centers**

ONTP

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

MATTHEWS
ESTES
CROWLEY
BOST

ONTP

SUMMARY

This resolve would have established the Commission to Study the Provision of Services by Schools for Students Leaving Substance Abuse Centers. The commission would have studied the need for and desirability of the establishment in schools of more formalized aftercare programs for students leaving formal substance abuse treatment programs. In conducting the study, the commission would have examined the following:

1. the number of Maine students returning to school after leaving a formal substance abuse treatment center;
2. the recidivism rate for adolescents who return to school after attending substance abuse treatment programs;
3. existing aftercare programs in Maine schools;
4. whether academic credit should be given for participation in aftercare programs;
5. how issues of confidentiality are dealt with in providing aftercare in schools.

The membership would have included representatives of the Maine School Management Association, the Maine Teachers Association, adolescents recovering from substance abuse, providers of adolescent substance abuse treatment services, the public and the Legislature. The commission would have presented a written report of its findings and any recommended legislation the the Second Regular Session of the 114th Legislature no later than December 1, 1989.