

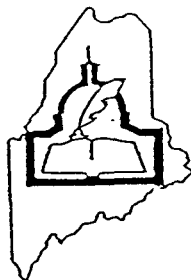
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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
AUGUST 1989

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 Committee amended the bill to require the Hallowell Water District to restore the excavated land to its original state, including topographical and drainage features. If the Water District exceeds its authority, the State will bring action for trespass against the district. The emergency preamble and clause were removed from the bill because of the constitutional prohibition of emergency land sales, transfers, or leases.

**LD 1429 An Act to Amend the State Identification Law for
Developmentally Disabled Students**

LV/WD

SPONSOR(S)

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STEVENS P

COMMITTEE REPORT

LV/WD

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

LD 1429 proposed that students with developmental disabilities who are enrolled in school supported work programs may apply and receive official state nondriver identification cards for \$2.

**LD 1485 An Act to Require the Permanent Recording of the Location of
Stone Walls**

ONTP

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COMMITTEE REPORT

ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

LD 1485 concerned state agencies which undertake public improvements that destroy or remove landmarks. Current law requires state agencies to keep records of the precise locations of landmarks that are removed or destroyed by public improvements. LD 1485 proposed that state agencies record these records (descriptions) in the town office and the registry of deeds for the county in which the landmark is located.

The bill also proposed that whenever a state agency demolishes a stone wall, the precise location of the former stonewall would be recorded in the town office and the registry of deeds for the county in which the stonewall was located.

The bill failed to receive Committee approval because of the impact on the State, especially the Department of Transportation. The bill appeared to strive to preserve cultural or historical landmarks which would be very costly to the State.