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One Hundred and Fourteenth Legislature Second Regular Session

> Joint Standing Committee Bill Summaries

> > June 1990

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. Committee Reports and Floor Action are abbreviated as follows:

OTP-ND
OTP-ND-NT
OTP-A
ONTP
LVWD
INDEF PP

Ought to Pass
Ought to Pass in New Draft
Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
Ought to Pass as Amended
Ought Not to Pass
Leave to Withdraw
Indefinitely Postponed

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LD 1439

An Act to Provide a Minimum Level of State Educational

ONTP

Funding for Schools

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

KILKELLY

ONTP

BREWER ESTES LIBBY

SUMMARY

LD 1439 was carried over from the 1st Regular Session. As amended by the committee during the 1st Regular Session, the bill would have changed the way the 5% minimum allocation was calculated.

LD 1564

Resolve, Creating the Special Commission to Study and Evaluate the Status of Education Reform in Maine

RESOLVE 88 **EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

BOST ESTES OTP-AM

H-1021 KILKELLY H-1096 CROWLEY

CROWLEY

NORTON

S-593

SUMMARY

This bill was recalled from last session's dead files and committed to the Education Committee. The bill establishes a special commission to study and evaluate educational reform in Maine since 1984, including teacher and administrator certification, the Education Reform Act and the minimum teacher salary law.

Committee Amendment "B" (S-593) makes several changes in the resolve to clarify the makeup and duties of the Special Commission. The membership is increased from 18 to 19 members; the appointment process is changed; and provision is made for a chair and co-chair. The amendment also makes it clear that funding for the study must be from non-state funds and authorizes the Legislative Council to seek and administer any funds acquired.

House Amendment "A" (H-1021) makes a technical correction in the date on which the Special Commission is

House Amendment "A" to the Committee Amendment (H-1096) changes the appointment method for certain members of the commission.

LD 1805

An Act Concerning Geographic Isolation Grants

PUBLIC 697

SPONSOR(S) **SKOGLUND**

COMMITTEE REPORT OTP-AM MAJ

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

MILLS

ONTP

MIN

H-806 MAJ REP

MARTIN J

COLLINS

SUMMARY

LD 1805 specifies the method for determining the amount of geographic isolation adjustment grants for isolated school administrative units. The amount of the adjustment is equal to the difference between the unit's actual per pupil expenditures and the average statewide per pupil expenditure.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-806), the Committee's majority report, replaces the original bill. The amendment requires the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural Services to determine geographic