

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

**STATE OF MAINE
114TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**



**BILL SUMMARY
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
PART II - LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

JULY 1989

MEMBERS

Sen. Georgette B. Berube *
Sen. Donald E. Esty, Jr.
Sen. David L. Carpenter

Rep. Ruth Joseph *
Rep. Dorothy A. Rotondi
Rep. Beverly C. Daggett
Rep. Dan A. Gwadosky
Rep. Conrad Heeschen
Rep. Anne M. Larrivee
Rep. Alberta M. Wentworth
Rep. Jeanne F. Begley
Rep. Dana C. Hanley
Rep. John S. McCormick, Jr.

* Denotes Chair

Staff: Gilbert Brewer, Legislative Analyst

Office of Policy & Legal Analysis
Room 101, State House Sta. 13
Augusta, ME 04333
(207) 289-1670

MARTHA E. FREEMAN, DIRECTOR
WILLIAM T. GLIDDEN, PRINCIPAL ANALYST
ULIE S. JONES, PRINCIPAL ANALYST
DAVID C. ELLIOTT, PRINCIPAL ANALYST
GILBERT W. BREWER
GODD R. BURROWES
MICHAEL FLATEBO
DEBORAH C. FRIEDMAN
JOHN B. KNOX



STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGAL ANALYSIS
ROOM 101/107/135
STATE HOUSE STATION 13
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
TEL: (207) 289-1670

ANNIKA E. LANE
EDWARD POTTER
MARGARET J. REINSCH
LARS H. RYDELL
JOHN R. SELSER
HAVEN WHITESIDE
CAROLYN J. CHICK, RES. ASST
ROBERT W. DUNN, RES. ASST
HARTLEY PALLESCHI, JR., RES. ASST

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.

LD 1430 Resolve, to Establish a Charter Commission to Review
Androscoggin County Government

RESOLVE 38
EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)
GAUVREAU
NADEAU G G
WHITMORE
COTE

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-285

SUMMARY

LD 1430 proposed to establish a charter commission to review Androscoggin County government and, if necessary, propose a charter for the county.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-285) requires a referendum to be held in November, 1989, on whether a charter commission should be established in Androscoggin County.

LD 1456 An Act to Permit the Town of Windham to Maintain and Repair
Private Roads to Town Road Specifications

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
STROUT B
DILLENBACK
BUTLAND

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

LD 1456 proposed to allow the Town of Windham to maintain privately-owned roads located in the town.

LD 1575 An Act to Change the Listing Procedure on Town Warrants

PUBLIC 295

SPONSOR(S)
MACBRIDE
PEARSON
STROUT D
WENTWORTH

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

LD 1575 clarified that a town may comply with the statute requiring acceptance of state funds by voting on a single article at a town meeting rather than listing each source of state funds in separate articles and voting on them individually.

LD 1581 An Act to Limit Municipalities' Responsibility to Reopen an
Abandoned Road (BY REQUEST)

PUBLIC 395

SPONSOR(S)
PLOURDE
TWITCHELL
HASTINGS

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

LD 1581 repealed the present requirement that in order for a road to be presumed abandoned, the road

must have been established before January 1, 1946 and must have not been maintained by the municipality between that date and 1976. The only requirement under the LD is that the road has not been maintained by the municipality for at least 30 consecutive years.

LD 1623 An Act to Establish a Portland Neighborhood Library System LV/WD

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
RAND GILL O'GARA CROWLEY	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

LD 1623 proposed to establish a quasi-municipal library district for the Portland area.

LD 1655 An Act Allowing Full-time Deputies to Hold Nonpartisan Office ONTP

<u>SPONSOR(S)</u>	<u>COMMITTEE REPORT</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</u>
CARROLL D	ONTP	

SUMMARY

LD 1655 proposed to allow full-time deputy sheriffs to be elected to any local nonpartisan office.

LD 1658 Resolve, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Piscataquis County for the Year 1989 (Reported Pursuant to Joint Order, HP9) RESOLVE 19 EMERGENCY

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

SUMMARY

LD 1658 established the Piscataquis County budget.

LD 1661 Resolve, for Laying of the County Taxes and Authorizing Expenditures of Aroostook County for the Year 1989 (Reported Pursuant to Joint Order, HP9) RESOLVE 20 EMERGENCY

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

SUMMARY

LD 1661 established the Aroostook County budget.