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**JUNE 1990**

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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  
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

Each individual summary was prepared by the analyst or analysts assigned to the committee. But, this document was produced by the efforts of all the office staff, including secretaries: Charlene Raymond, and Valarie Parlin, and especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

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Committee Amendment "B" replaces the original bill. It provides provisions for transferring prisoners from one county jail to another or, from a county jail to a state facility and specifies the mechanism by which receiving facilities are reimbursed in such transfers. It also broadens the definition of "community corrections" to include juvenile diversion programs, housing and electronic monitoring.

The amendment also provides state reimbursement to counties for capital improvement costs associated with community corrections laws. County use of the Correctional Improvement Account is broadened to include operating costs, and a provision is added which requires the Department of Corrections to place 30% of county reimbursement funds into a grant program for the development of new community corrections programs for juveniles and adults.

Senate Amendment "B" amends Committee Amendment "B". The provision regarding capital reimbursement is eliminated and the grant program is replaced with a system whereby 30% of reimbursement will be held back by the Department to be released to each county when the county demonstrates that the funds will be used to develop community corrections programs. The amendment eliminates the future costs associated with Committee Amendment "B".

**LD 1189      An Act to Transfer Jurisdiction over County Jails from      •      DIED BETWEEN**  
**County Government to the Department of Corrections      BODIES**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
MARTIN J	OTP-AM      MAJ	
CARTER	ONTP      MIN	
MCHENRY		
BERUBE		

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session. The bill transfers county jails, including their assets and debts from the counties to the Department of Corrections.

Committee Amendment "A" makes several clarifying changes to the bill. It was adopted by both bodies.

Senate Amendment "A" requires that the bill be ratified in a state-wide referendum. It was adopted by the Senate only.

The bill died in non-concurrence.

**LD 1617      An Act to Allow Sheriffs' Departments to Transport Juveniles      ONTP**  
**to State-approved Treatment Facilities**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
RUHLIN	ONTP	

#### **SUMMARY**

The bill allows sheriffs to transport juveniles to treatment facilities on the written approval of the juvenile's parents and a written indication that the facility will accept the juvenile.