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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.

LD 1692

An Act to Establish the School Finance Act of 1989

ONTP-MAJ REP **ACCEPTED**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE	REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BREWER	ONTP	MAJ	
CLARK N	OTP	MIN	
ROLDE			
ADAMS			

SUMMARY

The bill would have repealed the School Finance Act of 1985, which allocates funds under a formula taking into consideration a unit's number of students and property valuation, and enacted a new formula that allocates state subsidies on an equal per pupil basis.

LD 1707 An Act to Amend the Law Concerning the Reimbursement Rates for General Adult Courses Offered by Adult and Community Education Programs

ONTP-MAJ REP **ACCEPTED**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT		AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
CAHILL P	ONTP	MAJ	
SMALL	OTP	MIN	
PEARSON			
CARTER			

SUMMARY

This bill would have removed the vocational leisure programs from the list of general adult courses for which reimbursement, at the rate of 50% of the cost of instructional salaries and fringe benefits, could be received. The bill would have also added life skill programs to the same list. The deletion of the word "vocational" was based on the fact that adult vocational education courses are specifically eligible for reimbursement at the subsidy rate of 75% for instructional services and fringe benefits. The Department of Educational and Cultural Services proposed that adult leisure programs no longer be eligible in an effort to make such programs self-sustaining. The senate amendment added an appropriation section to the bill and removed the fiscal note.

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