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**STATE OF MAINE  
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**BILL SUMMARIES  
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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.

Please give us your suggestions and comments on these summaries and tell us of any inaccuracies.

Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" removes the fee increases authorized in Committee Amendment "A" for initial registration and licensure. The amendment changes the fee schedule for renewals by authorizing a maximum biennial fee of \$100 until February 1, 1991, at which time the fee returns to the current statutorily authorized fee of \$25 biennially unless the Legislature authorizes a higher fee. The amendment also requires the advisory committee to include in its report due February 1, 1991, an analysis of and, justification for, the amounts of these fees.

**LD 1852     An Act to Amend the Professional Service Corporation Act**

**PUBLIC 613**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
RIDLEY	OTP	
HOBBINS		
PARADIS P		
HASTINGS		

**SUMMARY**

The Professional Service Corporation Act was enacted in 1969 to allow professionals licensed in the same profession to practice in a corporate setting. However, "professional service" under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 13, section 703, subsection 2, separately lists osteopaths and physicians and surgeons, thereby precluding these 2 types of professionals from practicing together in a single professional service corporation. The purpose of this bill is to define their service as the same for the purpose of the Professional Service Corporation Act, thus allowing osteopathic and allopathic physicians to practice together in a professional service corporation.

**LD 1866     An Act to Amend the Law Concerning the Use of Replacement Motor Vehicles**

**PUBLIC 623**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
RICHARDS	OTP-AM	H-738
ALLEN		
LEBOWITZ		
CAHILL P		

**SUMMARY**

Current law limits to 30 days the time for which a person must be reimbursed for a rental car to replace that person's damaged vehicle. This bill removes the 30-day limit.

Committee Amendment "A" increases the limit to 45 days.

**LD 1892     An Act to Amend the Definition of Dealer Under the Used Car Information Laws**

**PUBLIC 684**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
CAHILL P	OTP-AM	H-824    ALLEN
MCPHERSON		S-505
MACOMBER		
GOULD R R		

**SUMMARY**

The bill exempts finance companies and banks who are selling repossessed cars from the requirement that used cars must pass inspection and from the requirement of reporting prior damages.