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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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**LD 1884**

**An Act to Improve Maine Occupational Safety and Health Provisions**

**PUBLIC 712**

**SPONSOR(S)**

LUTHER  
MARTIN J

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

OTP-AM

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

H-826

**SUMMARY**

LD 1884 requires the Bureau of Labor Standards to adopt the federal OSHA reporting requirements for all public employees. This will enable the state to qualify for federal matching funds as an approved state OSHA program.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-826) added a fiscal note.

**LD 1885**

**An Act to Establish Uniform Overtime Standards for Public Employees**

**LV/WD**

**SPONSOR(S)**

PINEAU  
GREENLAW  
MATTHEWS  
PEDERSON

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

LV/WD

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

LD 1885 proposed to bring firefighters and other public employees within the overtime provisions of Maine's minimum wage law requiring the payment of time and 1/2 wages for any work over 40 hours in one week.

**LD 1890**

**An Act to Increase Funeral and Related Expense Payments under the Workers' Compensation Law**

**LV/WD**

**SPONSOR(S)**

LUDWIG  
COLLINS  
ESTY  
ERWIN P

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

LV/WD

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

LD 1890 proposed to increase the funeral reimbursement under the Workers' Compensation Act from a maximum of \$1,000 to a maximum of \$3,000.

ALSO SEE LD 1880.