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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.

**LD 1918 An Act to Amend the Laws Affecting the Operations of the
Department of the Secretary of State**

PUBLIC 732

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
MAYO	OTP-AM	H-833
JOSEPH		
GRAHAM		
MURPHY		

SUMMARY

LD 1918 originally granted the Secretary of State broad rulemaking authority and allowed the Secretary to prescribe the forms to be filed with the Secretary of State and to refuse to accept completed forms which are not legible.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-833) replaces the original bill. The amendment grants the Secretary of State the authority to adopt rules pertaining to the receipt and filing of facsimile copies of required reports. The amendment also allows the Secretary to prescribe the forms to be used and to refuse to accept illegible reports required under the lobbyist disclosure procedures in Title 3, chapter 15. The amendment also makes minor changes to reporting requirements related to annual reports of domestic and foreign corporations, specifically, by allowing the annual reports to be current as of the date signed rather than of the date delivered and allowing the Secretary to decide whether or not annual reports signed by one officer of the corporation are valid reports.

**LD 1922 An Act to Clarify the Time Frame in Municipal Law for
Changing an Elected Position to an Appointed Position**

PUBLIC 659

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
WENTWORTH	OTP	
CARPENTER		
ROTONDI		
HEESCHEN		

SUMMARY

LD 1922 clarified that if a municipality chooses to change an elected municipal position to an appointed position, it must approve the change at a town meeting held at least 90 days before the annual town meeting.

LD 1948 An Act to Amend the Employee Suggestion Awards System

PUBLIC 645

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
CARPENTER	OTP	
BERUBE		
WENTWORTH		

SUMMARY

LD 1948 allows the Employee Suggestion System Board, established in Title 5 chapter 56, to give state employees cash awards up to \$100 for suggestions which improve the operation of state programs but do not result in identifiable cost savings.