

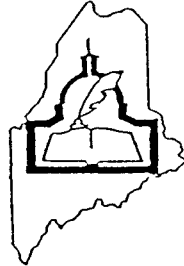
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**One Hundred and Fourteenth Legislature
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**Joint Standing Committee
Bill Summaries**

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	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 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 1984

An Act to Require the State to Pay a Portion of Retired State Employees' Medicare Costs

INDEF PP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
CLARK N PERKINS CARROLL D LISNIK	OTP-AM	S-516

SUMMARY

State retirees who meet statutory criteria have been covered under the state health insurance plan for many years. An increasing number have been required to enroll under Medicare in recent years. This has resulted in less coverage for these retirees because the Medicare plan has greater out-of-pocket expenses.

This bill requires the Maine State Retirement System to pay 30% of Medicare Part B premiums of state retirees and provide supplemental insurance to equalize Medicare benefits with the state plan.

Committee Amendment "A" eliminates the provision dealing with supplemental insurance and adds an appropriation section, an allocation section and other fiscal information.

LD 2033

An Act to Allow State Employees and Teachers to Buy Back Time Spent in Certain Programs

PUBLIC 709

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
PRAY CLARK H BUSTIN PEARSON	OTP-AM	S-496 S-541 TITCOMB

SUMMARY

This bill allows members of the Maine State Retirement System to purchase credit for any years spent in the Peace Corps, either before or after becoming a member of the retirement system. Currently, only teachers have this right and it is limited to those who were members of the system before joining the Peace Corps.

Committee Amendment "A" allows members of the Maine State Retirement System to purchase credit for any years spent in the Peace Corps, the Volunteers in Service to America Program, or the Fulbright Exchange Program or spent teaching foreign service or military personnel abroad either before or after becoming members of the retirement system.

House Amendment "A" clarifies that Committee Amendment "A" only applies to state employees and teachers. It also provides that the service credit authorized by Committee Amendment "A" may be purchased in annual payments.

Senate Amendment "A" is identical to House Amendment "A".