

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

**STATE OF MAINE
114TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**



**BILL SUMMARIES
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
BUSINESS LEGISLATION

JUNE 1990**

Staff:
John B. Knox, Legislative Analyst

Office of Policy and Legal Analysis
Room 101, State House Station 13
Augusta, ME 04333
(207) 289-1670

MEMBERS:

***Sen. John E. Baldacci**
Sen. Barry J. Hobbins
Sen. R. Peter Whitmore

***Rep. Carol M. Allen**
Rep. Carl F. Sheltra
Rep. Christopher Scott Gurney
Rep. Virginia Constantine
Rep. Nason S. Graham
Rep. Bertram Marston
Rep. John Telow
Rep. Albert G. Stevens
Rep. Gary W. Reed
Rep. Jack L. Libby

***Denotes Chair**

MARTHA E. FREEMAN, DIRECTOR
WILLIAM T. GLIDDEN, PRINCIPAL ANALYST
JULIE S. JONES, PRINCIPAL ANALYST
DAVID C. ELLIOTT, PRINCIPAL ANALYST
GILBERT W. BREWER
TODD R. BURROWES
GRO FLATEBO
DEBORAH C. FRIEDMAN
JOHN B. KNOX



STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGAL ANALYSIS
ROOM 101/107/135
STATE HOUSE STATION 13
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333
TEL.: (207) 289-1670

PATRICK NORTON
HARTLEY PALLESCHI
MARGARET J. REINSCH
PAUL J. SAUCIER
JOHN R. SELSER
HAVEN WHITESIDE
JILL IPPOLITI, RES. ASST.
BARBARA A. MCGINN, RES. ASST.
BRET A. PRESTON, RES. ASST.

**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.

Committee Amendment "A" accomplishes the following:

1. Exempts devices for the deaf and speech impaired from the provisions of the bill;
2. Removes threatening, harassing or annoying calls from the provisions of the bill;
3. Restricts to current relationships those contractual relationships that are exempt from the provisions of the bill; and
4. Changes the penalty for violation of the chapter by providing that violation is prima facie evidence of an unfair trade practice.

House Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" clarifies the definition of "telefacsimile transmission" to conform to the common understanding of "fax."

LD 1992 An Act to Improve Credit Reporting

**DIED BETWEEN
BODIES**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BUSTIN	OTP-AM MAJ	
WEYMOUTH	OTP-AM MIN	
DELLERT		
FARNSWORTH		

SUMMARY

This bill requires that consumers be identified by age and social security number for credit reporting purposes.

Committee Amendment "A" eliminates the age provision and provides more detail on how the social security number is to be obtained. It eliminates the provision of the original bill that required that a copy of information to be added to a consumer's file be sent to the consumer 30 days before it is added. It adds a provision that an applicant for credit be furnished the name of the reporting agency from which a credit report will be requested. Lastly, the amendment gives rule-making authority to the Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection.

Senate Amendment "A" is essentially the same as Committee Amendment "A".

LD 2004 An Act to Enable Rulemaking by the Board of Examiners of Podiatrists

PUBLIC 632

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
WHITMORE	OTP-AM	S-482
BALDACCI		
ALLEN		
TELOW		

SUMMARY

Current law limits the scope of the rule-making authority of the Board of Examiners of Podiatrists to false, deceptive and misleading advertising only. This bill authorizes the board to engage in rulemaking as necessary to implement its practice act.

Committee Amendment "A" adds a fiscal note to the bill.