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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-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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-make the owner or operator, rather than the police, responsible for returning to the State Police the out-of-service sticker on an overweight vehicle after the overweight has been corrected.

-clarify that a person may have a motor vehicle inspected more frequently than annually, if desired.

-reenact the altered vehicle registration and inspection requirements with a new effective date of March 1, 1991.

LD 2060

Resolve, to Permit the Maine Veterans' Home to Place a Sign

RESOLVE 62

on U.S. Route 1.

EMERGENCY

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COMMITTEE REPORT

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** 

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#### **SUMMARY**

This resolve authorizes the Maine Veterans' Home to place a granite sign on the turnaround on U.S. Route l in Scarborough.

LD 2087

An Act to Authorize Discretion in the Use of Sirens on Ambulance Vehicles

OTP-AM

**PUBLIC 707** 

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**COMMITTEE REPORT** 

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** 

GREENLAW COLLINS

THERIAULT CARROLL D

#### SUMMARY

Present law requires emergency vehicles to use both a flashing light and a siren in order to gain the right-of-way. The bill would make the use of the siren optional.

The committee amendment (H-837) limits this to ambulances. It also requires a departmental review, led by the Department of Public Safety, of special privileges for emergency vehicles.

LD 2092

An Act Concerning the Travel Information Advisory Council

PUBLIC 735

**EMERGENCY** 

SPONSOR(S)

**COMMITTEE REPORT** 

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED** 

GWADOSKY

OTP-AM

H-761

H-837

TARDY MILLS

### **SUMMARY**

The Travel Information Advisory Council was established in 1981 to advise the Commissioner of Transportation on highway signs. The bill adds a Senator and a Representative to the council. It also requires the Council to study the operation of present law and possible alternatives and report to the Legislature in 1991.

The committee amendment (H-761): makes the legislative members temporary, during the study period from now until 1991; changes one seat to the garden clubs instead of the Keep Maine Scenic Committee, which no longer exists; sets staggered dates for all the terms, and adds an emergency clause and a fiscal note, costs absorbed.

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