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

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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

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the United States Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to home schools and adds a section to the bill removing a conflict between 2 laws enacted last year. Finally, the amendment adds a section to the bill that establishes new maximum school construction debt service limits for the fiscal years 1993 and 1994 of \$69,500,000 and \$74,500,000 respectively, and amends the existing debt service limit for 1992 to \$65,000,000.

House Amendment "A" (H-1134) to Committee Amendment "A" changes the maximum debt service limit for fiscal years 1993 and 1994 to \$67,000,000 and changes the fiscal note accordingly. The amendment also adds language to encourage the State Board of Education to study school construction rules and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education during the First Regular Session of the 115th Legislature.

LD 2142 An Act to Amend the Percent for Art Act

PUBLIC 912

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
GILL	OTP-AM	S-521
BOST		S-528 BUSTIN
FOSTER		S-726 PEARSON
PARADIS J		

SUMMARY

LD 2142 repeals the sunset provision on the 1987 amendments to the Percent for Art Program. Those amendments remove the ceiling on the amount of funds dedicated to art for all public building projects except school construction, change the definition of "works of art", and makes other miscellaneous changes.

The Committee Amendment (S-521) added a fiscal note and amended the title.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-528) corrects a spelling error in the bill. Senate Amendment "B" (S-726) exempts correctional facilities from the Percent for Art program.

LD 2216 An Act to Coordinate and Consolidate Student Financial Assistance Services under the Finance Authority of Maine (Reported Pursuant to Public Law 1989, Chapter 559)

**PUBLIC 698
EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
	OTP-AM	S-484

SUMMARY

This bill was introduced by the Education Committee based on recommendations of the Student Financial Aid Transition Advisory Committee. It begins implementation of the comprehensive, consolidated program of student financial assistance under the umbrella of the Finance Authority of Maine which was established in the First Session with the enactment of PL c. 559. The bill also provides for continuation of the work of the Transition Advisory Committee to make recommendations to complete implementation of the financial aid program by FAME, including the supplemental loan program, the loan of last resort and the counseling and outreach program.

The Committee Amendment (S-484) provides for the Attorney General to furnish legal services to FAME, for the transfer of appropriations to FAME at the beginning of the fiscal year and the transfer of employees from the Department of Education to FAME. The amendment makes other technical changes necessary for the transfer of student financial aid programs to FAME.