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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.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-493) to LD 2071 corrected the property description of the lands to be exchanged, based upon new surveys.

LD 2143 **An Act to Allow Kineo Township to Organize** **LV/WD**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
WEBSTER C GOULD R A	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

LD 2143 proposed to authorize the organization of Kineo Township as the Town of Kineo, contingent upon a referendum vote of the township residents.

LD 2154 **An Act Shifting Financial Responsibility for County District Attorney Offices to the State** **LV/WD**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
CONLEY	LV/WD	

SUMMARY

LD 2154 proposed that the State pay the counties' costs of operating district attorneys' offices. The LD did not propose to transfer those offices and personnel state jurisdiction, but only provided for state reimbursement of county district attorney expenditures.

LD 2173 **An Act to Permit the Sale of Consumer Education Materials by the Attorney General** **PUBLIC 653**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
RYDELL GURNEY CLARK N	OTP	

SUMMARY

LD 2173 clarified that existing statutes do not prevent the Consumer Fraud Division of the Office of the Attorney General from charging fees for the production and distribution of consumer education materials.

LD 2179 **An Act to Help Fund County Government (Reported Pursuant to a Study Authorized by the Legislative Council)** **INDEF PP**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
	OTP-AM	

SUMMARY

LD 2179 was a minority report of the county government reform study subcommittee and proposed to distribute the full amount of the jail surcharge to the counties and increase the county share of the transfer tax to 55%.

Committee Amendment "A" replaced the LD and added to the LD all those portions of LD 2215 that had a fiscal impact. The amended LD included the following reforms, to be phased in over a 4-year period beginning on July 1, 1991: