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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.

LD 2169 **An Act Regarding Homeowners' Rights When Mobile Home Parks
are Sold (Reported Pursuant to P & S Laws, chapter 139)**

PUBLIC 768

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

OTP-AM

H-875

H-899 HASTINGS

SUMMARY

This bill, a unanimous final recommendation of the Commission on Manufactured Housing established by P&S 1987 c. 139, requires a mobile home park owner intending to sell the park to give tenants 45 days' notice of the sale before entering into a agreement to sell the park or, alternatively, to enter into an agreement, enforceable by tenants, whereby the buyer agrees not to change the use of the park for 2 years after the transfer.

Committee Amendment "A", which replaces the bill, clarifies that the owner may either give tenants 45 days' notice or restrict change of use of the park for two years. The amendment also makes it clear that the owner may provide additional notice to tenants and provide for additional land use restrictions.

House Amendment "A" allows a park owner to obtain an option to sell the park during the 45 day notice period.

LD 2172 **An Act to Clarify the Status of Permanent Residents in
Hotels and Lodging and Rooming Houses**

LV/WD

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

GURNEY

LV/WD

RYDELL

BRANNIGAN

SUMMARY

This bill clarifies the status of long-term residents of hotels, lodging houses, rooming houses and similar facilities as "tenants at will". Tenants at will may be forcibly evicted only in accordance with the State's forcible entry and detainer law.

LD 2175 **An Act Concerning Political Campaign Financing and Reporting**

**PUBLIC 833
EMERGENCY**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

MAYO

OTP-AM

H-1074

TITCOMB

SUMMARY

This bill corrects errors and inconsistencies in the laws regarding campaign finance reporting and makes several changes in the information candidates and political action committees must report and the manner in which they must report that information.

Committee Amendment "A" replaces the bill and adds additional corrections of errors and inconsistencies and several changes in the laws regarding campaign finance reporting by political action committees and candidates.