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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.

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LD 2210

**An Act to Increase the Capacity of the State to Provide
Mental Health Services (Reported Pursuant to a Study by the
Legislative Council)**

INDEF PP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

OTP-AM

S-557

SUMMARY

This bill was the recommendation of the Mental Health Subcommittee of the Joint Standing Committee on Human Resources. It would require the Department of Human Services to set Medicaid reimbursement rates for community mental health services at the full reasonable cost of those services, establish a respite care services demonstration program and fund a support group facilitator for local family support groups.

The Committee Amendment changes a Bureau reference and the appropriation.

LD 2225

**An Act Concerning Investigation of Allegations by the Office
of Advocacy**

PUBLIC 731

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

HEPBURN
CLARK M
GILL
GAUVREAU

OTP

SUMMARY

This bill clarifies that the Office of Advocacy may investigate allegations pertaining to facilities and agencies licensed or funded, as well as those administered, by the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. It further clarifies that such agencies may cooperate with the Office of Advocacy without violating the confidentiality rights of clients.

LD 2226

**An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Military and Naval
Children's Home**

PUBLIC 749

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SMALL
HOLT
CAHILL P
CLARK N

OTP-AM

H-842
H-912 MANNING

SUMMARY

This bill changes the name of the Military and Naval Children's Home to the Bath Children's Home, changes the status of the director, changes the membership of the board of visitors and repeals a reporting requirement.

The Committee Amendment retains the current status of the director and makes a minor change to provide more flexibility in selecting a member of the board of visitors to represent the Bath school system.

The House Amendment provides for a transition from old to new membership of the board of visitors.