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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	Ought to Pass
OTP-ND	Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT	Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-A	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP	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 2210 An Act to Increase the Capacity of the State to Provide Mental Health Services (Reported Pursuant to a Study by the Legislative Council)

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	PUBLIC 731
	of Advocacy	

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
HEPBURN	OTP	
CLARK M		
GILL		
GAUVREAU		

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			
	SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED	
	SMALL	OTP-AM	H-842	
	HOLT		H-912 MANNING	
	CAHILL P			
	CLARK N			

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.