

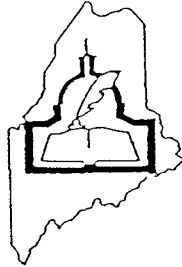
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**One Hundred and Fourteenth Legislature  
Second Regular Session**

**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	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.

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the state cost allocation formula that the State Archivist performs an administrative function separate from the other offices and bureaus of the Secretary of State. This change will allow the State Archivist to be more competitive with other states when seeking federal funding.

Senate Amendment "A" to LD 2246 added a fiscal note to the bill.

**LD 2247**      **An Act to Clarify the Law Governing the Aroostook County Finance Committee**      **PUBLIC 686  
EMERGENCY**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
MARTIN J COLLINS GRAHAM LISNIK	OTP	

**SUMMARY**

LD 2247 clarified the manner of nominating candidates for membership on the Aroostook County Finance Committee.

**LD 2248**      **An Act to Discourage Public Competition with Private Enterprise**      **PUBLIC 726**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
LARRIVEE CONLEY	OTP-AM	H-832 H-856    CONLEY

**SUMMARY**

LD 2248 prohibited municipal transit districts from selling any goods or services to any other entity except other transit districts, unless those goods or services were either essential to the purchaser or not available from another source. The intent of this bill was to limit the ability of transit districts to compete with private enterprise. Violations of these provisions were held as a Class E crime.

Committee Amendment "A" ( H-832) to LD 2248 moderated the prohibition by allowing municipal transit districts to sell, rent or lease to municipalities and quasi-municipal corporations, as well as other transit districts, and by exempting advertising space on transit owned vehicles and existing vacant office or storage space owned by the transit district from the prohibition. Transit districts regulated by the Public Utilities Commission under Title 35-A, Part 5, were also exempted from the prohibition. In addition, the amendment changed the penalty from a Class E crime to a civil penalty not to exceed \$5,000.

House Amendment "A" (H-856) to Committee Amendment "A" modified the prohibition further, by extending permission to transit districts to sell, rent or lease services to the State.

**LD 2254**      **An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Special Commission to Study the Organization of the State's Cultural Agencies (Reported Pursuant to Public Law 1989, Chapter 501)**      **PUBLIC 700**

<b>SPONSOR(S)</b>	<b>COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	<b>AMENDMENTS ADOPTED</b>
	OTP-AM	S-546 S-549    BERUBE

**SUMMARY**

LD 2254 implements the recommendations of the Special Commission to Study the Organization of the State's Cultural Agencies by changing the existing structure of the state's cultural service agencies and