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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 |
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| 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 |

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students who are state wards living in residential child care facilities that provide long-term care to 6 or more state wards. The amendment also requires the Department of Education and the Department of Human Services to assess the implementation of this amendment and to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education by December 1, 1992.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-731) to Committee Amendment "A" replaces part of the Committee Amendment and authorizes the Commissioner of Education to designate one residential child care facility providing long-term care for 6 or more children who are in the custody of the Department of Human Services as a pilot project in lieu of reimbursing all school administrative units. Beginning in school year 1991-92, this pilot project will then be compensated for education and transportation costs for qualifying state wards up to a total annual cost of \$30,000.

| LD 2336 | An Act to Establish Uniform Hiring Practices for Educational Administrator Positions Requiring Certification (Reported Pursuant to Resolves 1989, Chapter 55) | | | |
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| | SPONSOR(S) | COMMITTEE REPORT ONTP | AMENDMENTS ADOPTED | |

SUMMARY

LD 2336 is a minority report of the Blue Ribbon Task Force to Promote Equity of Opportunity for Women in the Public School System, pursuant to Resolve 1989, chapter 55. The bill would have required the Commissioner of Education to adopt rules governing a uniform hiring procedure for public school administrators. Rules would have been approved by the Maine Human Rights Commission and the Joint Standing Committee on Education. Once adopted, this procedure would have been binding for all public school systems.

| LD 2342 | An Act to Promote Equity of Opportunity for Women in | PUBLIC 889 |
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| | Administrative Positions in the Public School System (Reported Pursuant to Resolves 1989, Chapter 55) | |
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| SPONSOR(S) | COMMITTEE REPORT | AMENDMENTS ADOPTED |
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SUMMARY

LD 2342 is the majority report of the Blue Ribbon Task Force to Promote Equity of Opportunity for Women in the Public School System, pursuant to Resolve 1989, chapter 55. The bill establishes a series of measures to implement nondiscriminatory hiring practices for school administrators, intensify monitoring of compliance with existing sex discrimination prohibitions and promote greater awareness of gender equity issues among school administrators. The bill also directs the State Board of Education and the Commissioner of Education to develop a financial incentives program designed to increase the number of qualified female school administrators. The bill requires the Maine Human Rights Commission to report annually to the Governor, the Legislative Council and the Joint Standing Committee on Education on the status of efforts to promote gender equity in the public school system.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-974) makes several technical changes to clarify the intent and carry out the purpose of the original bill. The amendment also adds a fiscal note and an appropriation section to provide for the additional staffing needs of the Maine Human Rights Commission.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-714) to Committee Amendment "A" removes the reporting requirements, corrects references to the Maine Commission for Women, deletes the appropriation and amends the fiscal note.

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