

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

STATE OF MAINE  
114TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION



BILL SUMMARIES  
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON  
EDUCATION

JUNE 1990

Staff:

David C. Elliott, Principal Analyst  
Deborah C. Friedman, Legislative Analyst

Office of Policy and Legal Analysis  
Room 101, State House Station 13  
Augusta, ME 04333  
(207) 289-1670

MEMBERS:

\*Sen. Stephen C. Estes  
Sen. Stephen M. Bost  
Sen. Barbara A. Gill

\*Rep. Nathaniel J. Crowley, Sr.  
Rep. James R. Handy  
Rep. William B. O'Gara  
Rep. Marge L. Kilkelly  
Rep. Judy Paradis  
Rep. James V. Oliver  
Rep. John O'Dea  
Rep. Mary E. Small  
Rep. Omar P. Norton  
Rep. Wendy L. Ault

\*Denotes Chair

MARTHA E. FREEMAN, DIRECTOR  
WILLIAM T. GLIDDEN, PRINCIPAL ANALYST  
JULIE S. JONES, PRINCIPAL ANALYST  
DAVID C. ELLIOTT, PRINCIPAL ANALYST  
GILBERT W. BREWER  
TODD R. BURROWES  
GRO FLATEBO  
DEBORAH C. FRIEDMAN  
JOHN B. KNOX



PATRICK NORTON  
HARTLEY PALLESCHI  
MARGARET J. REINSCH  
PAUL J. SAUCIER  
JOHN R. SELSER  
HAVEN WHITESIDE  
JILL IPPOLITI, RES. ASST.  
BARBARA A. MCGINN, RES. ASST.  
BRET A. PRESTON, RES. ASST.

STATE OF MAINE  
OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGAL ANALYSIS  
ROOM 101/107/135  
STATE HOUSE STATION 13  
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333  
TEL.: (207) 289-1670

**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.

Please give us your suggestions and comments on these summaries and tell us of any inaccuracies.

**LD 2344**

**An Act to Establish Financial Incentives for the Promotion of Gender Equity in Public School Administration (Reported Pursuant to Resolve 1989, Chapter 55)**

**ONTP**

**SPONSOR(S)**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

ONTP

**SUMMARY**

LD 2344 is a minority report from the Task Force to Promote Equity of Opportunity for Women in the Public School System, pursuant to Resolve 1989, chapter 55. This bill would have established financial incentives for public school systems to hire qualified female administrators and to discourage discrimination against female applicants for these positions. The program would have been funded by reserving one percent of the state education subsidy for distribution to public schools that had either attained an equitable ratio of men and women administrators or shown good faith efforts, through affirmative action, to attain equity.

**LD 2359**

**An Act Relating to Restructuring Maine Public Schools**

**INDEF PP**

**SPONSOR(S)**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

GILL

OTP-AM

MARSANO

SMALL

CROWLEY

**SUMMARY**

LD 2359 defined restructuring schools and would have required the Department of Education to encourage all school administrative units to restructure schools to improve student performance and given the Commissioner the authority to allow exceptions to rules to accomplish the restructuring.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-614) would have replaced the original bill. The amendment described the importance of school restructuring, clarified the definition of the term, called for coordination and cooperation among various educational and community groups in establishing local school restructuring efforts and clarified the process by which waiver of existing rules may be used to encourage school restructuring. The amendment also would have directed the Commissioner of the Department of Education and the State Board of Education to assess the impact of school restructuring efforts and to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Education by December 1, 1991.

**LD 2381**

**An Act to Institute the National Assessment of Educational Progress Program in Maine Schools**

**ONTP-MAJ REP**

**SPONSOR(S)**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

FOSS

ONTP

MAJ

AULT

OTP

MIN

NORTON

CARPENTER

**SUMMARY**

LD 2381 would have required selected schools to participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress Program beginning in the 1991 school year.