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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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The original bill also requires the Commission to Study the Certificate of Need Law and the Impact of Competitive Market Forces on Ambulatory Health Care to include in its study an evaluation of methods of sizing the Hospital Development Account and establishes a new study commission to review the changes in this bill and report back to the Legislature by July 1, 1994.

The Committee Amendment clarifies that the requirement of providing charity care applies only to the services listed in the bill, excludes from the requirement certain imaging screening procedures, changes the factors qualifying a service and provides an affirmative defense to a charge of failure to provide services.

In addition, the Committee Amendment makes a conforming technical change to the affiliated interests section and adds reporting requirements to allow the Maine Health Care Finance Commission to monitor the frequency, characteristics and timing of those hospital restructurings that will no longer require prior approval of the Commission.

LD 2482 **An Act to Allow the Maine Health Care Finance Commission to
Make Individual Hospital Development Account Interim
Adjustments** **PUBLIC 863**

SPONSOR(S) **COMMITTEE REPORT** **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**
GAUVREAU

SUMMARY

This bill would allow the Maine Health Care Finance Commission to make interim adjustment to financial requirements for project under the Hospital Development Account.

LD 2512 **An Act to Establish Designated Positions Within the
Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation as
Unclassified State Positions Subject to the State Employees
Relations Act** **PUBLIC 933**

SPONSOR(S) **COMMITTEE REPORT** **AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**
JOSEPH
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NORTON
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SUMMARY

This bill changes the status of state-employed physicians at state mental health institutes especially with regard to collective bargaining.