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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

MAY 1992

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 volume is organized alphabetically by committee; within each committee, the summaries are arranged by LD number. A subject index is provided at the beginning of each committee's summaries.

All adopted amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor for floor amendments. Final action on each bill is listed to the far right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

PUBLIC XXX
P&S XXX
RESOLVE XXX
CON RES XXX
EMERGENCY
CARRIED OVER
ONTP
LVWD
INDEF PP
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT
DIED BETWEEN BODIES
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE
VETO SUSTAINED
UNSIGNED
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT

Chapter # of enacted Public Law
Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law
Chapter # of enacted Resolve
Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
Bill carried over to Special Session
Ought Not to Pass report accepted
Leave to Withdraw report accepted
Bill Indefinitely Postponed
Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
House and Senate disagree; bill died
Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree
Legislature filed to override Governor's Veto
Not signed by Governor within 10 days
Action incomplete when session ended; bill died

These summaries were 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, especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

If you have any suggestions or comments on these summaries, please let us know.

Joint Standing Committee on Human Resources

LD 403

An Act to Enhance Medical and Social Services for Maine's Long-term Care Consumers (Reported Pursuant to Resolve 1989, chapter 58)

PUBLIC 859

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

OTP-AM ONTP MAJ MIN S-624 MAJ REP

S-762

BRANNIGAN

SUMMARY

This bill was presented by the Commission to Study the Level of Services for Maine's Elderly Citizens. It makes several recommendations in the areas of health and social services for older people. The bill was carried over from the First Regular Session to allow further study of a proposal in the bill to offer an optional mail order service to people who use the Low Cost Drugs for the Elderly program.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-624) removes all of the original bill's provisions except the requirements that:

- The Department of Transportation offer advice to transportation providers regarding liability issues;
- 2. A report regarding home equity conversion be prepared and submitted to the Legislature. The amendment requires the Maine State Housing Authority to submit the report rather than the Maine Committee on Aging; and
- 3. The Department of Human Services offer a mail-order option in the Elderly Low Cost Drug program. The amendment adds a new section that requires the department to issue a request for proposals that is limited to in-state bidders. The department may not accept any bid unless it estimates that the bid will save at least 10% over the present retail purchase system.

Senate Amendment "A" (S-762) removes from the committee amendment the provision that requires a mail order option to be offered in the Elderly Low Cost Drug program.

LD 579 An Act to Appropriate Funds for At-risk Youths and Families

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COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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SUMMARY

This bill provides funds in fiscal year 1993 to contract for comprehensive prevention and support services for public housing project community residents in the Portland area. The bill was carried over from the First Regular Session.