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FIRST REGULAR SESSION AND FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

BILL SUMMARIES JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS LEGISLATION

AUGUST 1991

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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

AUGUST 1991

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 right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

PUBLIC XXX Chapter # of enacted Public Law P&S XXX Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law RESOLVE XXX Chapter # of enacted Resolve CON RES XXX Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses **EMERGENCY** Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days CARRIED OVER Bill carried over to 2nd Session FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT Bill failed to get 2/3 vote **ONTP** Ought Not to Pass report accepted **LVWD** Leave to Withdraw report accepted INDEF PP Bill Indefinitely Postponed **DIED BETWEEN BODIES** House & Senate disagree; bill died Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto **VETO SUSTAINED** Not signed by Governor within 10 days UNSIGNED DIED ON ADJOURNMENT Action incomplete when 1st session ended

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, and especially Laurette Knox who coordinated preparation of the overall document.

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

- A. The patient's condition exceeds the scope of practice of physical therapy;
- B. A patient shows no improvement within 30 days; and
- C. Treatment is required beyond 120 days, unless consultation is obtained; and
- 4. States that an employer is not liable to the employee under the Workers' Compensation Act for physical therapist charges, unless the employee was referred to the therapist by a doctor.

Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" makes section 1 of the committee amendment applicable to chiropractors. This amendment was filed in error, since section 1 of the bill deals with exempting certain professions from the law regulating chiropractors.

LD 512 An Act to Amend the Real Estate Brokerage Licensing Law

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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SUMMARY

This bill allows the issuance of a 6-month temporary license to the legal representative of a deceased real estate broker or to the representative's designee.

LD 515 An Act to Expand Consumer Membership on the Board of Osteopathic Examination and Registration

PUBLIC 150

SPONSOR(S)

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

PARADIS J

OTP-AM

H-145

PENDLETON GWADOSKY

SUMMARY

This bill replaces one professional member of the 7-member Board of Osteopathic Examination and Registration with a 3rd representative of the public and changes the designation of these members from public members to representatives of the interests of consumers.

Committee Amendment "A" adds, rather than replaces, 2 professional members, thus bringing the Board membership to 9.

LD 530 An Act to Amend the Fair Credit Reporting Laws

PUBLIC 453

SPONSOR(S)
BUSTIN

COMMITTEE REPORT

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

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OTP-AM

H-573 GRAHAM

BALDACCI

S-199

STEVENS A

SHELTRA

SUMMARY

This bill encourages the use of social security numbers as a means of identifying credit consumers, requires that a person requesting credit be informed that a credit report on that person may be requested and increases to 30 business days the time in which a credit company must respond to a complaint.