

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE  
115TH LEGISLATURE**

**FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
AND  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

**BILL SUMMARIES  
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON  
AGING, RETIREMENT AND VETERANS**

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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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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:

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

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.

**LD 751**

**An Act Concerning Retirement Benefits for Individuals Who Transfer Employment**

**ONTP**

**SPONSOR(S)**  
GREENLAW

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill requires that a new employer include an employee's service with a previous employer for the purpose of calculating benefits. Currently, members of the Maine State Retirement System may transfer between state employment and teaching without affecting their retirement benefits. However, in transfers between state employment and a local district, teaching and a local district or 2 local districts, it is up to the new employer whether to include a member's service under a previous employer with the service under the new employer for benefit calculation purposes.

**LD 765**

**An Act to Provide Equitable Representation on the Board of Trustees of the Maine State Retirement System**

**LV/WD**

**SPONSOR(S)**  
CLARK N  
JALBERT  
HEINO  
STEVENS A

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
LV/WD

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill adds 2 members to the Board of Trustees of the Maine State Retirement System, one who is a member of the retirement system through employment as a participating local district employee, one who is appointed by the AFL-CIO, and one member of the retirement system appointed by the Maine School Management Association. The bill also increases the number of members needed for a quorum from 4 to 6 and the minimum number of votes needed to take action from 4 to 6. The bill also makes some technical corrections to the law.

**LD 770**

**Resolve, to Create the Commission to Study a Long-term Disability Program for the Maine State Retirement System Members**

**RESOLVE 48  
EMERGENCY**

**SPONSOR(S)**  
TITCOMB  
MCCORMICK  
JALBERT  
CLARK N

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
OTP-AM

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**  
S-171  
S-375 CLARK N

**SUMMARY**

This resolve creates the Commission to Study a Long-term Disability Program for the Maine State Retirement System Members.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-171) changes the membership of the commission, adds an additional issue to be studied, makes changes to the manner of compensation and adds a fiscal note.