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**STATE OF MAINE
115TH LEGISLATURE**

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**BILL SUMMARIES
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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
AND
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION
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	<i>Chapter # of enacted Public Law</i>
P&S XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law</i>
RESOLVE XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Resolve</i>
CON RES XXX	<i>Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses</i>
EMERGENCY	<i>Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days</i>
CARRIED OVER	<i>Bill carried over to 2nd Session</i>
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT	<i>Bill failed to get 2/3 vote</i>
ONTP	<i>Ought Not to Pass report accepted</i>
LVWD	<i>Leave to Withdraw report accepted</i>
INDEF PP	<i>Bill Indefinitely Postponed</i>
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	<i>House & Senate disagree; bill died</i>
VETO SUSTAINED	<i>Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto</i>
UNSIGNED	<i>Not signed by Governor within 10 days</i>
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT	<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.

An Act to Correct Language in the Laws Governing Intensive Supervision

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COMMITTEE REPORT
 OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
 H-139

SUMMARY

This bill clarifies imprecise language in the laws governing the Intensive Supervision Program. It does not substantively change the law.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-139) further clarifies language. It does not substantively change the law or the original bill.

An Act to Establish a Northern Maine Regional Juvenile Detention Facility

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COMMITTEE REPORT
 OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
 S-201

SUMMARY

In 1989, the voters approved a bond issue for the construction of a regional juvenile detention facility in northern Maine. Construction is scheduled to begin in 1991. This bill creates in statute the Northern Maine Regional Juvenile Detention Facility, establishing the laws under which the facility must be operated.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-201) clarifies provisions of the bill relating to juveniles who may be appropriately placed in residential services provided by or through the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and clarifies that the sheriff located in the county of the court which orders detention is responsible for transporting the juvenile to and from the detention facility. The amendment also removes a section on seclusion and replaces it with a similar section regarding placement of juveniles under observation, clarifying that juveniles may not be secluded from the rest of the facility without appropriate supervision and documentation, and that placement under observation may only be commenced or continued if the juvenile is a danger to self or others or is likely to attempt an escape.