

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
TRANSPORTATION**

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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 Provide Funding to Offset Rising Costs and Decreasing Federal Revenues for Public Transportation in the State

SPONSOR(S)
CLARK N
TREAT
SIMONDS

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-139

SUMMARY

This bill would have provided funding to municipalities and transit districts for public transportation in response to increasing costs and decreasing federal assistance.

LD 973**Resolve, to Compensate Gary and Rebecca Hall for Damages Received as a Result of the Department of Transportation Construction**

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
SPEAR
BALDACCI
MAYO

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This resolve would have authorized the Department of Transportation to pay the sum of \$51,295 to Gary and Rebecca Hall for their seasonal business losses resulting from a highway construction project undertaken in close proximity to their restaurant business.

LD 987**An Act to Allow the Department of Transportation to Facilitate Traffic and Highway Improvements**

PUBLIC 409

SPONSOR(S)
BAILEY R

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-280
H-506 MACOMBER

SUMMARY

Developers often are required by the Department of Environmental Protection to build highway improvements as a part of project approval. This bill allows the Department of Transportation to authorize developers, under certain conditions, to make those improvements on highways under the Department's jurisdiction. The bill also allows the Department of Transportation to accept private funds to accomplish needed transportation improvements as part of the Department's program.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-280) adds a fiscal note to the bill.

House Amendment "A" (H-506) clarifies that this bill grants immunity notwithstanding the Maine Tort Claims Act.