

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE  
115TH LEGISLATURE**

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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

**BILL SUMMARIES  
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON  
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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE  
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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.

**An Act to Provide for Changes to the Membership of the Electricians' Examining Board**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
LIPMAN	OTP-AM	H-313
PENDEXTER		S-258 MATTHEWS
NORTON		

**SUMMARY**

This bill increases the number of public members on the Electricians' Examining Board from 1 member to 3 members.

Committee Amendment "A" adds one public member rather than 2 to the Electricians' Examining Board. This amendment also adds an allocation section to the bill and a fiscal note.

Senate Amendment "A" makes a technical correction to the bill to further the intent of the committee amendment to add one member, rather than 2 members, to the Electrician's Examining Board.

**An Act to Clarify Board Membership Qualifications and Make Necessary Fee Adjustments to Meet Board and Departmental Operating Expenses for the State Board of Licensure for Professional Foresters**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
STEVENS A	OTP-AM	H-312
SHELTRA		S-221 BALDACCI
		S-334 BALDACCI

**SUMMARY**

This bill:

1. Revises membership qualifications of the State Board of Licensure for Professional Foresters by requiring appointees to be licensed foresters. It further standardizes the board members' terms to conform to other boards within the Division of Licensing and Enforcement;
2. Allows the board to establish by rule the order in which licensure qualifications must be met; and
3. Allows the board to change from a biennial to an annual renewal cycle and increases licensure fees from \$25 biannually to \$50 annually.

Committee Amendment "A" requires that all other requirements be met before the examination is taken. This amendment changes the annual license fee to \$55.

House Amendment "A" provides for a correct transition provision.

Senate Amendment "A" provides for a correct transition provision.

Senate Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "A" sets a range of the licensing and renewal fees for foresters of \$40 to \$55 in order to eliminate the need for rulemaking.