

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE  
115TH LEGISLATURE**

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AND  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

**BILL SUMMARIES  
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FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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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 1569**

**An Act to Allow the Use of Coupons in the Purchase of Alcoholic Beverages**

**ONTP**

**SPONSOR(S)**  
JALBERT

**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have allowed certificate of approval holders (manufacturers and out-of-state wholesalers) to offer to consumers coupons on the purchase of alcoholic beverages.

**LD 1570**

**An Act Regarding Proceeds of Games of Chance**

**ONTP**

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have allowed nonprofit organizations to use the proceeds from games of chance to pay wages of bartenders employed by the organization to conduct the games. Current law prohibits organizations from using the proceeds from games of chance to pay wages or remuneration to any employee, member or officer of the organization. See also LD 1956.

**LD 1585**

**An Act to Require Bottle Clubs and Licensees for the Sale of Liquor to Post a Notice Informing the Public of the Presence of a Person Employed to Preserve the Peace**

**ONTP**

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**  
ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have required a bottle club or an establishment licensed to sell liquor for consumption on the premises that employs a bouncer to post a notice that it does so. The bill also would have required the Commissioner of Public Safety to establish guidelines for the conduct of bouncers employed by bottle clubs and liquor licensees.