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AND
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**BILL SUMMARIES
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ON
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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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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.

LD 1670

An Act to Prevent Preprinting of Federal Drug Enforcement Agency Registration Numbers on Prescription Drug Order Forms

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
GARLAND
RICH
STEVENS A

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits a health practitioner from issuing a written prescription drug order with a preprinted Federal Drug Enforcement Agency registration number.

LD 1676

An Act to Make Technical Adjustments to Various Licensing Board Laws and to Adjust Budgetary Constraints Affecting Various Boards

**PUBLIC 509
EMERGENCY**

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COMMITTEE REPORT
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AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-583
S-339 VOSE

SUMMARY

The bill makes changes to various licensing board laws which are under the authority of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation.

1. The bill authorizes the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation to submit evidence of license status to any court in this State. It further gives agencies within or affiliated with the department the authority to specify requirements and conditions by rule under which licensees' numbers, names and addresses are to be displayed to the public, in order to properly inform the public of the licensees' license status. The bill further clarifies the investigative powers given to investigative personnel of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation.
2. The bill exempts the Bureau of Banking from certain administrative powers.
3. The bill makes the following changes to the laws concerning the Board of Hearing Aid Dealers and Fitters:
 - A. Increases the cap on license fees;
 - B. Deletes the requirement that physicians consulted by purchasers have specialized training in the field of otolaryngology; and
 - C. Allows the board to establish continuing education requirements by rule.
4. The bill makes the following changes to the laws concerning the Board of Occupational Therapy Practice:
 - A. Repeals the license category of "occupational therapy aide," a category that is no longer recognized by the industry. No one is currently licensed in Maine in this category;
 - B. Repeals the exemptions concerning "associates" and "occupational therapy aides";