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

MAY 1992

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 far right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

PUBLIC XXX	Chapter # of enacted Public Law
P&S XXX	Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law
RESOLVE XXX	Chapter # of enacted Resolve
CON RES XXX	Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
EMERGENCY	Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
CARRIED OVER	Bill carried over to Special Session
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass report accepted
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw report accepted
INDEF PP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT	Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	House and Senate disagree; bill died
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE	Committee of Conference formed but unable to agree
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature filed to override Governor's Veto
UNSIGNED	Not signed by Governor within 10 days
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT	Action incomplete when session ended; bill died

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, 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 2323 Resolve, to Study the Structure of the University of Maine System and Examine Options for Better Integrating the University of Maine System and Maine Maritime Academy ONTP

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
ONTP

SUMMARY

This resolve was one of the measures submitted by the Special Commission on Governmental Restructuring. The resolve would have directed the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System to undertake a study of the present structure of the university system and report its findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Education. It also would have directed the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System, the Board of Trustees of Maine Maritime Academy and any public education strategic planning group to examine options for integrating the programs of the university and the academy, including the possibility of adding the academy to the university system.

LD 2324 Resolve, to Establish Regional Boundaries for Health and Social Services ONTP

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
ONTP

SUMMARY

This resolve was one of the measures submitted by the Special Commission on Governmental Restructuring. The resolve would have required the Department of Human Services, the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Education and the Department of Labor to develop a plan for conterminous regional service delivery boundaries. The Chair of the Interdepartmental Council would have been required to present the plan to the Legislature by December 15, 1992.

LD 2325 Resolve, to Establish Regional Boundaries for Natural Resource Services ONTP

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
ONTP

SUMMARY

This resolve was one of the measures submitted by the Special Commission on Governmental Restructuring. The resolve would have required the Governor to submit a plan to the Legislature that established regional boundaries for natural resource agencies.

LD 2326 Resolve, to Review the Public Safety and Criminal and Civil Justice Systems ONTP

SPONSOR(S) COMMITTEE REPORT AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
ONTP

SUMMARY

This resolve was one of the measures submitted by the Special Commission on Governmental Restructuring.

The resolve would have directed the University of Maine School of Law to study and make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature regarding the organization of public safety and criminal and civil justice functions at the state, federal and local level.

**LD 2327 Resolve, to Implement Total Quality Management Procedures in State Government RESOLVE 73
EMERGENCY**

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
	OTP-AM	S-731

SUMMARY

This resolve was one of the measures submitted by the Special Commission on Governmental Restructuring. The resolve required the Executive Department, Judicial Department and the Legislature to implement total quality management systems and required the Governor to establish an interagency task force to identify and implement cross-training programs among the natural resource agencies.

The Committee amendment (S-731) removed the interagency task force provisions of the bill.

LD 2328 Resolve, Authorizing the Maine Coalition for Excellence in Education to Study Education Policy in the State ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This resolve was one of the measures submitted by the Special Commission on Governmental Restructuring. The resolve would have directed the Maine Coalition for Excellence in Education to study the governance and structure of the State's education system and report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature.

LD 2329 Resolve, to Establish a Mechanism for Assessing the Potential for Privatization of State Services ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This resolve was one of the measures submitted by the Special Commission on Governmental Restructuring. The resolve would have required the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to evaluate the following services for possible subcontracting or privatization: lottery, corrections, mental health, developmental services, laboratory services, property management and other miscellaneous administrative functions.