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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 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

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recommended legislation before offering amendments. The commission was funded by a one-time assessment on workers' compensation insurers and self-insured employers at a rate calculated to bring in total receipts of \$250,000. The amendment also added a fiscal note.

LD 2381 An Act to Establish the Nontraditional Occupation Act

PUBLIC 807

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
RAND ESTY RUHLIN KILKELLY	OTP-AM	H-1178

SUMMARY

This bill required that 25% of certain job training and placement funds be used to encourage women to pursue nontraditional occupations and to support them in those occupations. The bill also required 1/4 of 1% of proceeds from the sale of any bond that generates employment be used to hire and provide services to women in nontraditional occupations.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-1178) replaced the original bill so that both men and women would receive greater opportunities to pursue nontraditional occupations under the Maine Job Training System. The amendment removed the mandated spending levels and earmarking of bond sale proceeds and added an affirmative action requirement for contractors and subcontractors on state contracts in excess of \$50,000. The amendment added a requirement that the Commissioner of Labor annually report measurable goals and the department's progress in encouraging nontraditional occupations. The amendment also added a fiscal note.

LD 2385 An Act to Amend the Process for Collecting for Costs of Services of the Maine Labor Relations Board, the Panel of Mediators and the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation

PUBLIC 798
EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
ESTY CONLEY LIPMAN REED G	OTP-AM	S-637

SUMMARY

Public Law 1991, chapter 622 requires parties using certain services of the Maine Labor Relations Board, the Panel of Mediators and the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation to pay for those services. This bill clarified that the Executive Director of the Maine Labor Relations Board is authorized to estimate and collect costs prior to providing the services. This bill also clarified those occasions where the services of the Maine Labor Relations Board are not charged to the parties.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-637) imposed a 25% penalty for failure to pay the invoiced amount and ensured that there would be no delay in the provision of services if one party failed to pay the estimated cost of the services. The amendment also authorized the executive director to collect any sums due through civil action and allowed attorney's fees if the executive director prevailed. The amendment also added a fiscal note.