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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

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employment or are terminated for cause, the transferee corporation shall pay the balance of the employee's annual salary for fiscal year 1992-93 if the employee is laid off. It also guarantees that, the transferee corporation will offer that group of employees a benefit package equal to at least 20% of the group's annual salaries and wages.

The amendment requires that, for fiscal year 1992-93, the transferee corporation shall offer vacant positions within an employee's job classification to MPBN employees who lose their jobs between March 1, 1992 and June 30, 1992 unless they have left their position voluntarily or been terminated for cause.

The amendment also adds an appropriation section that provides \$80,258 as a portion of the state match needed to build a radio transmitter to serve the St. John Valley and adds a fiscal note.

House Amendment "A" (H-1200) clarifies that the president of the transferee corporation is a nonvoting member of the board.

House Amendment "F" (H-1290) makes the transferee corporation subject to freedom of access laws.

**LD 2435**

**An Act to Eliminate the Position and Office of the  
Chancellor of the University of Maine System**

INDEF PP

**SPONSOR(S)**

LEBOWITZ  
BAILEY H

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

**SUMMARY**

This bill would have eliminated the position and office of the Chancellor of the University of Maine System. To accomplish this, the bill:

1. Would have removed the chancellor from the list of ex officio corporators of the Board of Directors of the Maine Development Foundation;
2. Would have repealed the provision requiring the chancellor to present an address on the state of the University of Maine System to the Legislature;
3. Would have repealed the provision establishing a committee, appointed by the chancellor, whose reporting and implementation dates have passed;
4. Would have replaced the chancellor with a member representing the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System on the New England Board of Higher Education;
5. Would have removed a reference to the chancellor in the laws concerning University of Maine System labor relations;
6. Would have required the board of trustees rather than the chancellor to appoint a member to the State Board of Substance Abuse Counselors and a member to the Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure; and
7. Would have amended the charter of the University of Maine System to remove all references to and authority of the chancellor and to establish a council made up of the heads of each campus to oversee certain systemwide functions.