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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

**BILL SUMMARIES
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES**

JULY 1993

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.

The committee report or reports, the prime sponsor for each bill and the lead co-sponsor in each house if one has been designated are listed below each bill title. 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:

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

If you have any suggestions or comments on these summaries, please let us know.

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Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

LD 8 **An Act to Legalize Blue-dot Taillights** PUBLIC 8

| SPONSOR(S) | COMMITTEE REPORT | AMENDMENTS ADOPTED |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| CARPENTER | OTP | |

SUMMARY

This bill allows certain antique vehicles and replicas of those vehicles to be equipped with taillights containing a blue-dot.

LD 22 **An Act to Permit the Use of All-terrain Vehicles by Law Enforcement Officers** PUBLIC 26

| SPONSOR(S) | COMMITTEE REPORT | AMENDMENTS ADOPTED |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| KERR | OTP-AM | H-43 |

SUMMARY

This bill allows a law enforcement officer to operate an ATV on public ways and private roads when engaged in employment as a law enforcement officer.

The committee amendment (H-43) replaces the language of the original bill. The amendment allows a law enforcement officer to operate an all-terrain vehicle on the extreme right of a public way from the place where it is normally stored to an off-road area to be patrolled.

LD 24 **An Act to Prohibit People from Riding in the Back of Open Pickup Trucks** INDEF PP

| SPONSOR(S) | COMMITTEE REPORT | AMENDMENTS ADOPTED |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| KERR | OTP-AM | |

SUMMARY

This bill would have required that passengers riding in or on any portion of a pickup truck that is not enclosed or not designed for passenger occupancy to be seated and properly secured.

The committee amendment (H-72) would have replaced the original bill. The amendment would have restricted a person under 19 years of age to riding in the passenger compartment of a pickup truck. The amendment exempted certain passengers from this restriction.

LD 47 **An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Automatic Loss of License** ONTP

| SPONSOR(S) | COMMITTEE REPORT | AMENDMENTS ADOPTED |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| TARDY | ONTP | |

SUMMARY

This bill would have given the Secretary of State authority to forgo license revocation or suspension based on a conviction in another state if the Secretary of State determined that the operator is not a danger to the public safety.