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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES

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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.

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:

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

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

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SUMMARY

This bill describes with greater certainty the location of a portion of the common boundary between the Town of Passadumkeag and the Town of Enfield.

LD 72	An Act to Establish Certain	Voting Rights for Landowners	ONTP
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SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
SUMMERS	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill enables a person who owns property in a town or municipality, but who resides elsewhere, to vote on town or municipal affairs that would have a fiscal impact on that person.

LD 79	An Act to Preserve Maine's Part-time Citizen Legislature by	ONTP
	Making the Legislative Process More Efficient and Less	
	Costly to Maine Taxpayers	

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTE	E REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
HANLEY	ONTP	MAJ	
	ОТР	MIN	

SUMMARY

This bill reduces the salaries of Legislators by 20% from the statutorily authorized amount, shortens the legislative sessions, prohibits all Friday sessions except during the last 4 Fridays of a regular session and establishes an earlier cloture date for the first regular session.

LD 81	An Act to Reduce the Number of Full-time Legislative Staff Employees	

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
HANLEY	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill limits the number of full-time legislative staff members to 85. The bill freezes the number of members at its October 1, 1993 level. No new member will be hired until that number has been reduced to 85 full-time staff members. Thereafter, any vacant positions will be filled at the discretion of the Executive Director of the Legislative Council.

LD 104 An Act to Expand the Membership of the National Conference INDEF PP of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
OTT	OTP-AM	H–26

SUMMARY

This bill allows a person who has been president, secretary or chair of the Executive Committee of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws to serve indefinitely as an additional Maine commissioner. This change allows former Chief Justice McKusick to serve as a Maine commissioner.

The bill also designates the Revisor of Statutes as an associate commissioner, ex officio, which brings state law into conformity with the rules of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

The committee amendment (H-26) adds an appropriation and a fiscal note to the bill.

LD 111	An Act Relating	ONTP		
	SPONSOR(S) KETTERER	COMMITTEE REPORT ONTP	AMENDMENTS ADOPTE	D
SUMMAR	-			
Inis Dill	establishes a budge	t finance committee for Somers	et Lounty.	
LD 130	An Act Regardi	ng the Androscoggin Count	y Budget Committee	ONTP
	SPONSOR(S) BERUBE	COMMITTEE REPORT ONTP	AMENDMENTS ADOPTE	D
	repeals the laws es	tablishing the Androscoggin Co t Advisory Committee.	unty Budget Committee and cr	reates in its stead
LD 138	An Act Related Certification Pr	to the Code Enforcement O ogram	fficer	ONTP
	SPONSOR(S) SULLIVAN AMERO	COMMITTEE REPORT ONTP	AMENDMENTS ADOPTE	D
enforcemer	is to clarify that	local officials and boards tha of the training and certifica 4451.		-

LD 139	An Act to Increase the County Share and Change the Name of	INDEF PP
	the Government Operations Surcharge Fund	

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE	REPORT	AMEND	MENTS ADOPTED
LINDAHL	ONTP	MAJ	H-114	
	OTP-AM	MIN	H-145	ROWE

SUMMARY

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This bill increases to 50% the county share of the Government Operations Surcharge Fund. This money is used to reimburse counties for the costs of maintaining the jail system.