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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*
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 Second Session*
ONTP	*Ought Not to Pass report accepted*
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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LD 1287 **An Act to Provide for the Combination of Cary Medical Center and The Aroostook Medical Center in Central Aroostook County** P & S 36 EMERGENCY

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
KIEFFER	OTP-AM	S-181
DONNELLY		

SUMMARY

This bill allows the combination of Cary Medical Center and The Aroostook Medical Center in central Aroostook County and expresses the intent of the Legislature that state action immunity under the federal antitrust laws be provided to the combination.

Amendment S-181 makes a technical correction to the bill and adds a fiscal note.

LD 1314 **An Act Related to Medical Treatment Decisions for Psychotic Disorders** PUBLIC 454

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
FITZPATRICK	OTP-AM	H-392

SUMMARY

This bill ensures the right of any person 18 years of age or older suffering from a psychotic condition to make a written declaration instructing the person's physician to provide medical treatment, including the administration of psychotropic drugs.

Amendment H-392 adds a fiscal note to the bill, including a correctional impact statement.

LD 1383 **An Act to Establish Multidisciplinary Reviews of Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities and Serious Injuries and to Provide Access to Confidential Information for the Multidisciplinary Reviews** PUBLIC 294

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
PENDEXTER	OTP-AM	H-410
HARRIMAN		

SUMMARY

This bill gives express authority to the Department of Human Services to appoint a panel to review child deaths and serious injuries and gives the panel access to otherwise confidential information in the department's child welfare records. It makes the records of the panel confidential and gives the panel subpoena power.

Amendment H-410 clarifies that the Department of Human Services must release the conclusions of an investigation of the child death and serious injury review panel if they are requested, but may not release any information that is otherwise confidential, such as personally identifying information. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.