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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:

<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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SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT		AMENDMENTS ADOPTED	
ROWE	ONTP	MAJ	H-661	ROWE
	OTP-AM	MIN	H-649	

SUMMARY

Current law prohibits the owner of retail business premises where minors are allowed from selling cigarettes to them through a vending machine, and from selling cigarettes from a vending machine that is not under supervision.

This bill allows the sale only under supervision and only in Class A lounges, taverns and places of employment inaccessible to the public.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-430) adds a fiscal note to the bill.

House Amendment "A" (H-427) (not adopted) clarifies that all vending machines containing tobacco products other than cigarettes are unlawful and that cigarette vending machines are lawful only when the specified conditions are met. The amendment removes the provision relating to minors as it duplicates existing law. The amendment also reduces the increased fines in the bill to a level consistent with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 1579.

House Amendment "B" (H-661) incorporates the text of Committee of Conference Amendment "A" but changes the statutory structure of that text to clarify it.

Committee of Conference Amendment "A" (H-649) replaces the bill. This amendment makes the following changes from current law concerning the sale of cigarettes in vending machines.

1. The sale of cigarettes in vending machines is authorized in those machines from which cigarettes only are dispensed.
2. A warning sign must be attached to cigarette vending machines stating that it is unlawful for minors to purchase cigarettes.

LD 1445 An Act Relative to the Licensing and Training of Hoisting Engineers

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
COFFMAN	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill requires a license from the Department of Labor in order to operate hoisting machinery.