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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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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:

<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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LD 1471 **An Act to Amend the Licensure Requirements for Nurses**

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
PENDLETON PARADIS J		

SUMMARY

This bill implements the recommendations of the commission established by PL 1985, c. 724. That bill required that the Legislature be informed by an assigned commission when certain criteria were implemented that would allow the elimination of the LPN and hospital diploma nursing programs, thereby reducing the available programs to two, the associate degree and the baccalaureate.

LD 1493 **An Act to Enable the Creation of the Volunteer Social Workers' Project**

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BRENNAN		

SUMMARY

This bill establishes the Volunteer Social Workers' Project, which would be operated by a statewide agency representing social workers, under a contract with the State Board of Social Worker Licensure.

The project matches persons and organizations that need services with social workers who have agreed to provide services on a pro bono basis. Start-up funds for the project are provided by a one-time surcharge on social worker licenses of \$15 and ongoing funding will be provided by increasing the fee for those licenses by \$15.

LD 1500 **An Act to Consolidate Certain State Functions and Create the Board of Licensing Counseling Professionals**

CARRIED OVER

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BUSTIN		

SUMMARY

This bill combines the State Board of Substance Abuse Counselors, the State Board of Social Worker Licensure and the Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure into one board: the Board of Licensing Counseling Professionals. This board will be responsible for licensing all 3 types of counseling professionals: social workers, substance abuse counselors and other counseling professionals.