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BILL SUMMARIES
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**ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES**

MAY 1994

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, 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

P&S XXX

RESOLVE XXX

CON RES XXX

EMERGENCY

ONTP

INDEF PP

FAILED ENACTMENT

FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT

FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT

DIED BETWEEN BODIES

CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE

VETO SUSTAINED

UNSIGNED

DIED ON ADJOURNMENT

Chapter # of enacted Public Law

Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law

Chapter # of enacted Resolve

Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses

Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days

Ought Not to Pass report accepted

Bill Indefinitely Postponed

Bill failed to get majority vote

Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote

Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote

House & Senate disagree; bill died

Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died

Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

Not signed by Governor within 10 days

Action incomplete when session ended; bill died

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

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
PENDLETON PARADIS J	ONTP	

SUMMARY

The purpose of this bill is to implement the recommendations of the commission established by PL 1985, c. 724. The study commission requested an ONTP vote because they had not yet been able to get industry consensus for their recommendations.

LD 1493 **An Act to Enable the Creation of the Volunteer Social Workers Project** PUBLIC 584

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BRENNAN	OTP-AM	H-848

SUMMARY

The original bill establishes the Volunteer Social Workers Project, which will 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. Funds for the project are provided by a one-time surcharge on social worker licenses.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-848) provides that funding must be derived from board revenues and outside funding.

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

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
BUSTIN	ONTP	

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.

LD 1572 **An Act to Exempt Firefighters from the Licensing Requirements of Limited Electricians** ONTP

SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEE REPORT	AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
CAHILL	ONTP	

SUMMARY

This bill exempts firefighters making repairs on low-voltage fire alarms and sirens from the licensing requirements of electricians.