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

**JULY 1993**

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&amp;S XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Private &amp; 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 &amp; 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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In Part G the bill does the following.

1. It establishes an effective date of December 1, 1993.
2. It includes an appropriation section.

Senate Amendment "A", (S-368) adds chiropractors to the health professionals covered by the standard forms and billing provisions of the bill. It deletes the appropriation section. It adds a transition provision that is an amendment to LD 283, the budget bill, to allow termination of the High Risk Insurance Organization after December 1, 1993.

**LD 1561**      **An Act to Collect Baseline Data to Facilitate Health Care Reform**

P & S 53  
EMERGENCY

**SPONSOR(S)**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

H-672      PINEAU

H-709      PINEAU

**SUMMARY**

This bill creates the Working Group to Collect Baseline Data to Facilitate Health Care Reform composed of the 13 members of the Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance and 3 members appointed by the Governor from the Executive Department.

The working group is charged with asking questions and receiving data on health care from a broad range of interested parties invited to present information to the working group. The Health Care Reform Advisory Committee is established to advise the working group. The committee is made up of 34 consumers, professionals, providers and interested persons.

The working group is directed to meet at least once a month from July 23 to December 15, 1993. The working group is authorized to apply for and receive grants and hire consultants and the working group must request staffing assistance from the Legislative Council.

An appropriation pays for expenses for meetings and costs for photocopying, mailing and printing.

House Amendment "B" (H-672) deletes from the committee the 3 appointed members of the Executive Department, removes the 36 member advisory organization and transforms the study into a study by the Banking and Insurance Committee.

House Amendment "A" to House Amendment "B" (H-709) removes the emergency nature of the bill and moves the first meeting date to on or before October 10, 1993.

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