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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

BILL SUMMARIES
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ON
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**ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE
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**SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION BEFORE
THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES**

AUGUST 1995

This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing 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 publication, History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents, is helpful in determining to which committee any particular bill was referred.

In this document, 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 categories of final action are abbreviated as follows:

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| <i>CARRIED OVER</i> | <i>Bill carried over to Second Session</i> |
| <i>CON RES XXX</i> | <i>Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses</i> |
| <i>CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE</i> | <i>Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died</i> |
| <i>DIED BETWEEN BODIES</i> | <i>House & Senate disagree; bill died</i> |
| <i>DIED ON ADJOURNMENT</i> | <i>Action incomplete when session ended; bill died</i> |
| <i>EMERGENCY</i> | <i>Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days</i> |
| <i>FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT</i> | <i>Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote</i> |
| <i>FAILED ENACTMENT</i> | <i>Bill failed to get majority vote</i> |
| <i>FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT</i> | <i>Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote</i> |
| <i>INDEF PP</i> | <i>Bill Indefinitely Postponed</i> |
| <i>ONTP</i> | <i>Ought Not to Pass report accepted</i> |
| <i>P&S XXX</i> | <i>Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law</i> |
| <i>PUBLIC XXX</i> | <i>Chapter # of enacted Public Law</i> |
| <i>RESOLVE XXX</i> | <i>Chapter # of enacted Resolve</i> |
| <i>UNSIGNED</i> | <i>Not signed by Governor within 10 days</i> |
| <i>VETO SUSTAINED</i> | <i>Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto</i> |

These summaries were prepared by the analyst or analysts assigned to the committee. If more detailed information is needed on a bill, contact the committee analyst.

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LD 1178 An Act Regarding Designation by the Commissioner of Transportation of a Deputy or Another Staff Member to Represent the Commissioner of Transportation at Maine Turnpike Authority Meetings

PUBLIC 108

SPONSOR(S)
CHARTRAND

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill makes clear that the authority of the Commissioner of Transportation to delegate powers and duties to deputies, directors, assistants and other officers or employees of the Department of Transportation includes the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Transportation as a member of the Maine Turnpike Authority.

LD 1180 An Act Authorizing Seasonal Road Signs Advertising Maple Syrup

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
BIRNEY

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would have allowed producers of maple syrup to erect signs advertising maple syrup when maple syrup is offered for sale on premises where the maple syrup is produced from March 1st to November 1st of each year.

LD 1225 An Act Concerning License Plates for Firefighters

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
NADEAU

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

Current law authorizes the Secretary of State to design a special firefighter registration plate for issuance to certified firefighters. This bill would have required the Secretary of State to include an appropriate symbol or mark identified with firefighters on the special firefighter plate.

LD 1233 An Act to Provide Uniform Weight Limits for Public Ways in the State

ONTP

SPONSOR(S)
STEDMAN

COMMITTEE REPORT
ONTP

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

SUMMARY

This bill would have made current weight limits that apply to the Interstate Highway System apply to other public ways used by motor carriers.