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

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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:

<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 1429 An Act Pertaining to the Purchase Deposit on Automobiles

PUBLIC 269

SPONSOR(S)
JACQUES

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-326

SUMMARY

This bill requires automobile dealers to return deposits placed on motor vehicles if the person making the deposit does not purchase the vehicle. This provision does not apply to special order vehicles.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-326) replaces the bill. A new or used motor vehicle dealer is required to provide written disclosure of its deposit policy and to have that statement signed by any person rendering a deposit. The bill is also amended to clarify that the disclosure requirement applies in the sale of both new and used motor vehicles.

LD 1463 An Act to Prevent Master Electrician License Fee Payment Duplication

PUBLIC 336

SPONSOR(S)
POVICH
CIANCHETTE

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-497

SUMMARY

This bill amends the definition of "master electrician" by removing references to firms or corporations and clarifies that it is an individual that is qualified. Currently, a master electrician includes a person, firm or corporation. This has been interpreted to require that each entity needs to be licensed, which has resulted in license duplication, as an electrician in a firm needs a license, as well as the firm.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-497) adds a fiscal note to the bill.

LD 1472 Resolve, Directing the Board of Osteopathic Licensure and the Board of Licensure in Medicine to Review Maine State Licensing Requirements for Medical Professionals Performing Medical Procedures for Maine Residents

RESOLVE 24

SPONSOR(S)
PENDEXTER

COMMITTEE REPORT
OTP-AM

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
S-197

SUMMARY

This bill requires a state license for an out-of-state physician providing services to a patient who is located in this State.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-197) requires the Board of Osteopathic Licensure and the Board of Licensure in Medicine to review existing licensing laws to ensure that any physician who may wish to provide services by utilizing courier, mobile imaging or telecommunication means be properly licensed to ensure the quality of medical services they provide. This amendment requires the boards to provide a status report on this review to the Legislature by January 1, 1996.