

# MAINE STATE 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:

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

WINN

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

ONTP

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED****SUMMARY**

This bill removes the discretion of the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists to grant licenses to psychologists licensed in another state. This bill requires that the board grant a license to anyone who is currently licensed to practice psychology under equivalent standards in another state.

**LD 1498 An Act to Increase Access to Primary Care Physician Services in Maine**

PUBLIC 337

**SPONSOR(S)**

CAMPBELL

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

OTP-AM

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**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

H-429

H-546 ROWE

**SUMMARY**

Currently, applicants for licensure as a medical doctor must have completed 24 months in a graduate educational program after medical school. Applicants for a licensure as a doctor of osteopathy must have completed 12 months of hospital internship. Medical doctor applicants who are graduates of a medical school may receive temporary educational certificates to act as interns and residents. The certificate grants the medical doctor applicant the rights of a medical doctor.

The original bill allows an applicant for licensure as a medical doctor who is in the last year of medical school and who is enrolled in a joint medical and graduate education program to receive a temporary certificate as a resident.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-429) is the Majority Report. It makes the same provision for applicants for a license as a doctor of osteopathy that the bill makes for applicants for a license as a medical doctor except that undergraduates are exempted from the program.

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-546) takes out language in the bill that would allow undergraduates in the combined medical doctor program to take advantage of the provisions of this bill.

**LD 1532 Resolve, Requiring a Study of How the State Should Regulate Naturopaths**

RESOLVE 49

**SPONSOR(S)**

MITCHELL JE

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

OTP-AM

**AMENDMENTS ADOPTED**

H-508

H-613 ROWE

H-647 ROWE

**SUMMARY**

This bill provides for the licensure of naturopathic physicians

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-508) replaces the bill and creates a task force to study the issue of how naturopaths should be regulated. The task force is composed of 2 physicians, 2 naturopaths, 1 expert in health care policy, 1 expert in health care education, the Director of the Bureau of Health, a representative of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation and a consumer.

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" TO COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-613) clarifies that the Task Force on Naturopathy is charged with determining the method by which the State should regulate naturopaths. The method of regulation may include forms of licensure, certification or registration.

**30 Business and Economic Development**