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STATE OF MAINE 119TH LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

BILL SUMMARIES JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

JULY 1999

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Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing and Select Committees August 1999

We are pleased to provide this summary of all bills that were considered by the Joint Standing and Select Committees of the Maine Legislature this past session. The document is a compilation of bill summaries which describe each bill and relevant amendments, as well as the final action taken. Also included are statistical summaries of bill activity this session for the Legislature and each of its joint standing and select committees.

The document is organized for convenient reference to information on bills considered by the committees. It is organized by committees and within committees by bill (LD) number. The committee report(s), prime sponsor for each bill and the lead co-sponsor(s), if designated, are listed below each bill title. All adopted amendments are listed by paper number. Two indices, a subject index and a numerical index by LD number are provided for easy reference to bills. They are located at the back of the document. A separate publication, <u>History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents</u>, may also be helpful in providing information on the disposition of bills. These bill summaries also are available at the Law and Legislative Reference Library and on the Internet (www.state.me.us/legis/opla).

Final action on each bill is noted to the right of the bill title. The abbreviations used for various categories of final action are as follows:

CARRIED OVER	Bill carried over to Second Regular Session
	Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE	
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	House & Senate disagree; bill died
DIED IN CONCURRENCE	One body accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill
	Action incomplete when session ended; bill died
EMERGENCY	Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
	Bill failed to get vote required for enactment or final pasage
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY	
INDEF PP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed
ONTP	
OTP ND	
<i>OTP ND/NT</i>	
P&S XXX	
PUBLIC XXX	
RESOLVE XXX	
UNSIGNED	Bill held by Governor
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

Please note the effective date for all non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is September 18, 1999.

LD 2046

An Act to Amend the Powers of Hospital Administrative District No. 1

Sponsor(s) Committee Report Amendments Adopted
CATHCART
MICHAUD

LD 2046 proposes to amend the powers of Hospital Administrative District No. 1.

This bill has been carried over to the Second Regular Session of the 119th Legislature.

LD 2047 An Act to Amend the Lead Poisoning Control Act

PUBLIC 276

CARRIED OVER

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
LONGLEY	OTP-AM	S-137
COLWELL		

LD 2047 proposed to change the Lead Poisoning Control Act, Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 252, to increase the efficiency of limited resources of the Department of Human Services, allow for more flexibility in dealing with lead-based substances in single-family homes, and allow for preliminary lead screenings by child care licensing staff of the department. These changes would make the Lead Poisoning Control Act consistent with Title 38, chapter 12-B and rules of the Department of Environmental Protection, chapter 424, "Lead Management Regulations."

This bill was submitted on behalf of the Department of Human Services.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-137) proposed to substitute rules of the Department of Environmental Protection for rules of the Department of Human Services and clarify that penalties may be imposed by the Department of Environmental Protection.

Enacted law summary

Public Law 1999, chapter 276 changes the Lead Poisoning Control Act, Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 252, allows for more flexibility in dealing with lead-based substances in single-family homes, allows for preliminary lead screenings by child care licensing staff of the department and provides for rulemaking by and penalties from the Department of Environmental Protection. These changes make the Lead Poisoning Control Act consistent with Title 38, chapter 12-B and rules of the Department of Environmental Protection, chapter 424, "Lead Management Regulations."