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*State Of Maine  
120th Legislature*

*First Regular Session*

*Bill Summaries*

*Joint Standing Committee  
on  
State and Local Government*

*August 2001*

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**Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing Committees**  
**August 2001**

Enclosed please find a summary of all bills, resolves, joint study orders, joint resolutions and Constitutional resolutions that were considered by the joint standing 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 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, History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents, 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](http://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*  
*CON RES XXX*..... *Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses*  
*CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE*..... *Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died*  
*DIED BETWEEN BODIES*..... *House & Senate disagree; bill died*  
*DIED IN CONCURRENCE*..... *One body accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill*  
*DIED ON ADJOURNMENT*..... *Action incomplete when session ended; bill died*  
*EMERGENCY*..... *Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days*  
*FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE*..... *Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote*  
*FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE*..... *Bill failed to get majority vote*  
*FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT*..... *Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote*  
*NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY*..... *Ruled out of order by the presiding officers; bill died*  
*INDEF PP*..... *Bill Indefinitely Postponed*  
*ONTP*..... *Ought Not To Pass report accepted*  
*OTP ND*..... *Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft*  
*OTP ND/NT*..... *Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft/New Title*  
*P&S XXX*..... *Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law*  
*PUBLIC XXX*..... *Chapter # of enacted Public Law*  
*RESOLVE XXX*..... *Chapter # of finally passed Resolve*  
*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 21, 2001**.

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## Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government

LD 582

**An Act to Prohibit the State from Competing with Private Industry**

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MCALEVEY		<u>Committee Report</u> ONTP		<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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LD 582 proposed to revise the language of the existing prohibition against conflicts of interest in state purchases to more explicitly prohibit the State and its employees and agents from providing services for fees or from undertaking enterprises that compete with private industry.

See also LD 1578.

LD 597

**An Act Concerning Fees Charged to State Agencies for the Review of Leases**

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> BUMPS		<u>Committee Report</u> ONTP		<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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LD 597 proposed to prohibit the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services from levying a charge against a state department or agency for the review or approval of a leased space contract in the 2nd year and subsequent years of a leased space contract.

**LD 636**

**An Act to Promote Healthy Workplaces**

**DIED BETWEEN BODIES**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> TWOMEY LAFOUNTAIN		<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM MAJ ONTP MIN		<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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LD 636 proposed to require the State, after January 1, 2003, to provide bicycle and pedestrian access, bicycle parking and shower facilities for office buildings owned by or partly financed by the State. It also proposed to require that the Department of Administration and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services adopt rules to carry out the purposes of the bill.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-297)**, which was the majority report but which was not adopted, proposed to strike the original text of the bill. The amendment proposed to require that the State provide parking for bicycles adjacent to, and shower and changing facilities for use by state employees in any new state office building that is built after January 1, 2003 and in any existing state office building that is subject to substantial renovation or any new addition to a state office building that extends beyond the exterior walls of the existing building when the renovation or addition is undertaken after January 1, 2003. The amendment also proposed to define "substantial renovation" and "state office building." The amendment also proposed to add a fiscal note to the bill.