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State Of Maine 120th Legislature

First Regular Session

Bill Summaries

Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development

August 2001

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120th Legislature First Regular Session

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, <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
CON RES XXX	Bill Carried Over to Second Regular Session Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE.	
DIFD RETWEEN BODIES	House & Senate disagree; bill died
	accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT	Action incomplete when session ended; bill died
FMERGENCY	Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE	EEmergency 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 REFORE THE RODY	Ruled out of order by the presiding officers; bill died
INDEE DD	Rill Indefinitely Postnoved
ONTP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed Ought Not To Pass report accepted
OTP ND	
OTD ND/NT	Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft/New Title
D L C VVV	
DIDIIC VVV	Chapter # of enacted Frivate & Special Law
DECOLUE VVV	Chanten # of English and Develop
RESULVE AAA	Chapter # of enacted Public LawChapter # of finally passed ResolveBill held by Governor
VETO CUCTANED	Bill neld by Governor
YEIU SUSIAINED	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.

Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development

LD 682 An Act to Require the Adoption of the 2000 International Plumbing Code ONTP

 Sponsor(s)
 Committee Report
 Amendments Adopted

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LD 682 proposed to require the Plumbers' Examining Board to adopt the 2000 International Plumbing Code as the State's plumbing code.

LD 687 An Act to Maintain a Centralized Database for Schedule II
Prescriptions Dispensed by Pharmacies in the State

CARRIED OVER

 Sponsor(s)
 Committee Report
 Amendments Adopted

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 Amendments Adopted

LD 687 proposed to require pharmacies to provide the Maine Board of Pharmacy with quarterly reports recording all schedule II drug transactions so that the board can maintain a centralized database.

Committee amendment "A" (H-630), which was the minority report, proposed to amend the original bill by designating the Department of Human Services as the department that will establish and maintain the schedule II drug database. The amendment also proposed that a retail drug outlet or a mail order business that dispenses schedule II drugs and is registered under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, section 13751 must report schedule II drug transactions to the department on a quarterly basis. Additionally the amendment proposed to require the dispensing facility to report, at a minimum, the pharmacy prescription number, pharmacy number, patient identifier, which may include the name of the customer and the customer's date of birth, the date the controlled substance was dispensed, the metric quantity of the controlled substance, the national drug code of the controlled substance, the estimated days of supply of the controlled substance dispensed and the prescriber's United States Drug Enforcement Agency registration number to the department. The amendment proposed to designate information contained in the reports and in the database as confidential and limits its disclosure to governing bodies that license practitioners when they are conducting an investigation that involves schedule II drugs and to pharmacists, physicians and dentists when the information relates to their own patients. The amendment proposed to expressly prohibit the release of conditional information from the database to law enforcement officers. It also proposed to add a fiscal note to the original bill.

The Joint Standing Committee on Business and Economic Development voted to carry over the bill to the Second Regular Session of the 120th Legislature.