

# State Of Maine 120th Legislature

## First Regular Session

# **Bill Summaries**

# Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs

#### 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, <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 Ch	Bill Carried Over to Second Regular Session hapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE	Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	
DIED IN CONCURRENCE	
	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 REFORE THE BODY	Ruled out of order by the presiding officers: hill died
INDEF PP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed
ONTP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed Ought Not To Pass report accepted
<i>OTP ND</i>	Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft
<i>OTP ND/NT</i>	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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- 3. It provides that future changes to the charter will be made under the Maine Nonprofit Corporation Act, contained in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 13-B, or any successor.
- 4. The bill also proposed to make several clerical corrections and change gender-specific language.

#### Enacted law summary

Private and Special Law 2001, chapter 28 amends the charter of Bates College as follows:

- 1. It gives the chairs and the vice-chairs of the board of fellows and the board of overseers the exclusive responsibility to preside over their respective meetings;
- 2. It authorizes the chair and the vice-chair of the board of fellows to serve as the chair and the vice-chair of the corporation, and for the chair of the board of fellows to preside over the executive committee. In the chair's absence, the vice-chair of the board of fellows and the chair and vice-chair of the board of overseers are authorized to preside over executive committee meetings;
- 3. It provides that future changes to the charter will be made under the Maine Nonprofit Corporation Act, contained in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 13-B, or any successor; and
- 4. It makes several clerical corrections and changes gender-specific language in the charter.

# LD 1817An Act to Provide Funding Related to the Lewiston-Auburn CollegeDIED ONTeachers for Elementary and Middle Schools ProjectADJOURNMENT

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

LD 1817 proposed to make a one-time appropriation of \$75,000 to the teachers for elementary and middle schools project at the University of Maine System for the benefit of the Lewiston-Auburn College of the University of Southern Maine to be used as seed money for program-related investment in support of establishing a comprehensive, long-range endowed fellowship for students in the Lewiston-Auburn College teachers for elementary and middle schools project.

While this bill died on adjournment, the Part II budget bill included similar provisions to those contained in the bill (see P.L. 2001, c. 439, Part P).