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*State Of Maine
120th Legislature*

Second Regular Session

Bill Summaries

*Joint Standing Committee
on
Banking and Insurance*

May 2002

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Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing Committees
May 2002

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 organized for convenient reference to information on bills considered by the committees. It is arranged alphabetically by committee name and within committees by bill (LD) number.

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:

- 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
PASSED..... Joint Order passed in both bodies
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 Second Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is July 25, 2002.

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Joint Standing Committee on Banking and Insurance

LD 1880

An Act to Reduce Identity Theft by Regulating Electronically Printed Credit Card and Debit Card Receipts

PUBLIC 527

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MITCHELL B COLWELL	<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM	<u>Amendments Adopted</u> S-426
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LD 1880 proposed to prohibit a person from issuing to a cardholder a credit card receipt that contains more than the last 5 digits of the credit card or contains the expiration date. The bill would not apply if the only means of recording the card number is by handwriting or imprint. LD 1880 proposed to take effect January 1, 2004.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-426) replaced the bill. The amendment proposed to prohibit a person from issuing to a cardholder a credit card or debit card receipt that contains more than the last 5 digits of the credit card or debit card account number or contains the expiration date. The amendment would not apply if the only means of recording the card number is by handwriting or imprint. The amendment allocated the provisions to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10 and retained the effective date of January 1, 2004. It also added a fiscal note to the bill.

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2001, chapter 527 prohibits a business or merchant from issuing to a cardholder a credit card or debit card receipt that contains more than the last 5 digits of the credit card or debit card account number or contains the expiration date. The law does not apply if the only means of recording the card number is by handwriting or imprint.

Public Law 2001, chapter 527 has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2004.

LD 1959

An Act to Eliminate Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance Travel Restrictions for Obtaining Health Care

**DIED BETWEEN
BODIES**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MAYO EDMONDS	<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM MAJ OTP-AM MAJ	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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LD 1959 proposed to override current Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance rules that restrict travel distances for obtaining health care by allowing patients enrolled in health maintenance organizations to seek appropriate care in centers of excellence outside of the standard travel area. The bill also would require that the Superintendent of Insurance define "center of excellence" under rule-making authority that already exists under statutes.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-965) is the majority report of the committee and replaced the bill. The amendment proposed to authorize the Superintendent of Insurance to approve a pilot project allowing a carrier to offer a health plan exempt from the statutory and regulatory provisions relating to geographic access standards. Health plans offered under an approved pilot project must comply with all other