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*State Of Maine
120th Legislature*

Second Regular Session

Bill Summaries

*Joint Standing Committee
on
Judiciary*

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 Judiciary

LD 1840

An Act to Amend the Uniform Commercial Code, Article 9-A

PUBLIC 632

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LAVERDIERE RAND	OTP-AM	H-857

LD 1840 proposed to establish new, lower fees for communicating certain records under the Uniform Commercial Code by an authorized method other than writing, such as transmitting electronically.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-857) proposed to provide that there is no filing fee for filing with the Secretary of State certain termination statements for transactions for which the initial financing statements were filed between July 1, 1993 and July 1, 2001.

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2001, chapter 632 establishes new, lower fees for communicating certain records under the Uniform Commercial Code by an authorized method other than writing, such as transmitting the records electronically.

LD 1899

An Act Relating to the Dissemination of Intelligence and Investigative Information

PUBLIC 532

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCALEVEY	OTP-AM	S-433

LD 1899 proposed to allow the sharing of intelligence and investigative information between criminal justice agencies and the Department of Human Services in abuse, neglect and exploitation cases involving incapacitated or dependent adults.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-433) proposed to replace the bill to clarify the permitted dissemination of intelligence and investigative information under state law by specifically stating which agencies can share information.

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2001, chapter 532 allows for the sharing of intelligence and investigative information between criminal justice agencies and the Department of Human Services in abuse, neglect and exploitation cases involving incapacitated or dependent adults.