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*Bill Summaries*

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Criminal Justice*

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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 Criminal Justice

### *Enacted law summary*

Public Law 2001, chapter 477 amends the law regarding public disclosure of information to clarify that disclosure pertains to out-of-state probationers and parolees only if they are adults, which is consistent with the law for disclosure of information regarding in-state probationers and parolees. Public Law 2001, chapter 477 also expands the Commissioner of Corrections' ability to determine if disclosure of information would be detrimental to the welfare of clients to include those who are on probation or parole to protect them from domestic or other violence.

**LD 1850**

**An Act to Improve the Juvenile Drug Court Program**

**PUBLIC 508**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MCALEVEY		<u>Committee Report</u> OTP		<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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LD 1850 proposed to extend from 12 months to 15 months the time available for juveniles to complete a juvenile drug treatment court program.

### *Enacted law summary*

Public Law 2001, chapter 508 extends from 12 months to 15 months the time available for juveniles to complete a juvenile drug treatment court program.

**LD 1903**

**Resolve, to Provide Computers to Rural Fire Stations**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MICHAUD MH BERRY R		<u>Committee Report</u> ONTP		<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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LD 1903 proposed to require the Department of Public Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal to create and implement a program to donate surplus computers used in State Government to rural fire departments, so that those departments can access the State's emergency and public safety databases and better meet their statutory reporting requirements. The resolve also proposed that this program be carried out within existing resources and that all hard drives be erased before computers are donated.

Because the Criminal Justice Committee could not amend the statutes using this resolve as a vehicle, the committee reported out its own bill, LD 2112, "An Act to Aid Fire Departments in Meeting Mandatory Reporting Requirements," pursuant to Joint Order, Senate Paper 763.