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Bill Summaries

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Criminal Justice*

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Summary Of Legislation Before The Joint Standing Committees
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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 arranged alphabetically by committee name 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, History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents, 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:

<i>CON RES XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses</i>
<i>CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE</i>	<i>Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died</i>
<i>DIED BETWEEN BODIES</i>	<i>House & Senate disagree; bill died</i>
<i>DIED IN CONCURRENCE</i>	<i>One body accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill</i>
<i>DIED ON ADJOURNMENT</i>	<i>Action incomplete when session ended; bill died</i>
<i>EMERGENCY</i>	<i>Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days</i>
<i>FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE</i>	<i>Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote</i>
<i>FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE</i>	<i>Bill failed to get majority vote</i>
<i>FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT</i>	<i>Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote</i>
<i>NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY</i>	<i>Ruled out of order by the presiding officers; bill died</i>
<i>INDEF PP</i>	<i>Bill Indefinitely Postponed</i>
<i>ONTP</i>	<i>Ought Not To Pass report accepted</i>
<i>OTP ND</i>	<i>Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft</i>
<i>OTP ND/NT</i>	<i>Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft/New Title</i>
<i>P&S XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law</i>
<i>PASSED</i>	<i>Joint Order passed in both bodies</i>
<i>PUBLIC XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of enacted Public Law</i>
<i>RESOLVE XXX</i>	<i>Chapter # of finally passed Resolve</i>
<i>UNSIGNED</i>	<i>Bill held by Governor</i>
<i>VETO SUSTAINED</i>	<i>Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto</i>

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 483 repeals language that would sunset the State Police's ability to provide services for public safety purposes at cost to governmental and nongovernmental entities. The Second Regular Session of the 119th Legislature expanded the statute to authorize the State Police to charge private entities for providing services.

Public Law 2001, chapter 483 was enacted as an emergency measure effective February 21, 2002.

LD 1955

**An Act to Allow Federal Law Enforcement Officers to Enforce
Maine Statutes**

PUBLIC 602

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> PEAVEY		<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM		<u>Amendments Adopted</u> H-927
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LD 1955 proposed to add Special Agents of the United States Secret Service of the Department of the Treasury to the list of federal law enforcement agency personnel who can enforce Maine statutes, provided the personnel are trained in Maine criminal law and Maine law on the use of force and that agency has developed and filed policies governing its employees with the Maine Criminal Justice Academy.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-927) proposed to replace the bill. The amendment proposed to put a repeal date on the provision that adds Special Agents of the United States Secret Service of the Department of Treasury to the list of federal officers that have the authority to enforce Maine laws. The amendment proposed to repeal the United States Secret Service's authority July 1, 2004.

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2001, chapter 602 adds Special Agents of the United States Secret Service of the Department of the Treasury to the list of federal law enforcement agency personnel who can enforce Maine statutes provided the personnel are trained in Maine criminal law and Maine law on the use of force and that the agency has developed and filed policies governing its employees with the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. Public Law 2001, chapter 602 also repeals the United States Secret Service's authority to enforce Maine law July 1, 2004.