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State Of Maine 120th Legislature

Second Regular Session

Bill Summaries

Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations And Financial Affairs

May 2002

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120th Legislature Second Regular Session

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 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:

CON RES XXX	Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE	
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	House & Senate disagree; bill died
DIED IN CONCURRENCEOne is	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 PASS	AGE Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE	
FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT	
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	
OTP ND/NT	
P&S XXX	Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law
	Joint Order passed in both bodies
PUBLIC XXX	Chapter # of enacted Public Law
RESOLVE XXX	Chapter # of finally passed Resolve
UNSIGNED	
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.

Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Services for costs incurred in the process of collective bargaining, contract administration and related costs.

Private and Special Law 2001, chapter 44 was enacted as an emergency measure effective January 15, 2002.

LD 2060

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue in the Amount of \$8,000,000 to Make Public Infrastructure Improvements

ONTP

Sponsor(s) Committee Report ONTP Amendments Adopted

LD 2060 proposed to implement a recommendation of the Joint Study Committee to Study Growth Management. The funds provided by this bond issue, in the amount of \$8,000,000, would have been used to make grants and loans to municipalities for public infrastructure improvements through the Municipal Investment Trust Fund.

LD 2080

An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2002 and June 30, 2003 PUBLIC 559 EMERGENCY

Sponsor(s)
BERRY, RCommittee Report
OTP-AM MAJAmendments Adopted
H-968GOLDTHWAITONTP MINH-986 BERRY, R

PART A proposed to make appropriations and allocations of funds.

PART B proposed to make appropriations and allocations of funds representing reduction proposals or adjustments.

PART C proposed to make appropriations and allocations of funds for approved reclassifications and range changes.

PART D proposed to:

- 1. Specify the General Purpose Aid for Local Schools actual education cost certification and appropriation levels for fiscal year 2002-03 as required by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15605;
- 2. Lapse funds from the Education in Unorganized Territory General Fund account to the General Fund in fiscal year 2001-02; and