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Bill Summaries

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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 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

LD 2112

An Act to Aid Fire Departments in Meeting Mandatory Reporting Requirements

PUBLIC 529

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report
OTP

Amendments Adopted

LD 2112 was a committee bill reported out in place of LD 1903, "Resolve, to Provide Computers to Rural Fire Stations." LD 2112 proposed to specify that a fire department may purchase one personal computer from the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services to be used for the purpose of meeting the department's reporting requirements to the State Fire Marshal under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 25, section 2395. LD 2112 proposed that the Bureau of General Services may charge a fire department only the reasonable administrative and handling costs of no more than \$35 for the purchase of a personal computer under this bill.

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2001, chapter 529 was a committee bill that replaced LD 1903, "Resolve, to Provide Computers to Rural Fire Stations." Public Law 2001, chapter 529 specifies that a fire department may purchase one personal computer from the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services to be used for the purpose of meeting the department's reporting requirements to the State Fire Marshal under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 25, section 2395. The Bureau of General Services may charge a fire department only the reasonable administrative and handling costs of no more than \$35 for the purchase of a personal computer under this law.

LD 2126

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 1 - Requirements for Written Prescription of Schedule II Drugs, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Public Safety

**RESOLVE 86
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report
OTP

Amendments Adopted

LD 2126 proposed to provide for legislative review of Chapter 1 - Requirements for Written Prescription of Schedule II Drugs, a major substantive rule of the Department of Public Safety. The Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice authorized final adoption of the rule without amendment.

Enacted law summary

Resolve 2001, chapter 86 provides for legislative review of Chapter 1 - Requirements for Written Prescription of Schedule II Drugs, a major substantive rule of the Department of Public Safety. The Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice authorized final adoption of the rule without amendment.

Resolve 2001, chapter 86 was enacted as an emergency measure effective March 27, 2002.