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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, <u>History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents</u>, 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
	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
	Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT/FINAL	L PASSAGE Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE	Bill failed to get majority vote
FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT	
INDEF PP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed
ONTP	Ought Not To Pass report accepted
<i>OTP ND</i>	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	
	Bill held by Governor

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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Committee Amendment "B" (S-519), which was not adopted, was a minority report and proposed to remove the controlled substances prescription monitoring and intervention program from the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation and place it with the Department of Behavioral and Developmental Services, Office of Substance Abuse. This amendment also proposed to require the Office of Substance Abuse and the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Maine Board of Pharmacy to develop the program by January 1, 2004. This amendment also proposed to add a fiscal note to the bill.

House Amendment "A" to Committee Amendment "B" (H-1067), which was not adopted, proposed to provide that the Office of Substance Abuse develop and administer the controlled substances prescription monitoring and intervention program. Committee Amendment "B" proposed to provide for the Office of Substance Abuse and the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Maine Board of Pharmacy, to jointly develop and administer this program.

LD 2139Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 90: RegistrationRESOLVE 102of Foresters for Supervision of Unlicensed Personnel, a MajorEMERGENCYSubstantive Rule of the Department of Professional and FinancialRegulation, Office of Licensing and Regulation

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
	OTP	

LD 2139 proposed legislative review of Chapter 90: Registration of Foresters for Supervision of Unlicensed Personnel, a major substantive rule of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Office of Licensing and Regulations. The provisionally adopted rules proposed to be reviewed under this resolve were adopted pursuant to Public Laws of 2001, chapter 261. LD 1737, which was enacted as amended by committee amendment "A" in the First Regular Session of the 120th Legislature, required the Board of Licensure of Foresters to adopt major substantive rules pursuant to Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A to govern the registration of foresters who supervise unlicensed personnel. The rules proposed to implement a registration system that not only requires the forester to register with the board to supervise the unlicensed person, but also requires the forester to have a signed, written agreement with the unlicensed person, to accept responsibility for the activities of the unlicensed person related to the practice of forestry that are related to the person's employment or the agreement, and to register annually with the board at the time of license application or renewal.

Enacted law summary

Resolve 2001, chapter 102 provides for legislative review of Chapter 90: Registration of Foresters for Supervision of Unlicensed Personnel, a major substantive rule of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Office of Licensing and Regulations. The provisionally adopted rules reviewed under this resolve were adopted pursuant to Public Laws of 2001, chapter 261. The rules implement a registration system that not only requires the forester to register with the board to supervise the unlicensed person, but also requires the forester to have a signed, written agreement with the unlicensed person, to accept responsibility for the activities of the unlicensed person related to the practice of forestry that are related to the person's employment or the agreement, and to register annually with the board at the time of license application or renewal.

Resolve 2001, chapter 102 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective April 3, 2002.