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*State Of Maine
122nd Legislature*

*First Regular Session and
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Bill Summaries

*Joint Standing Committee
on
Criminal Justice and Public Safety*

August 2005

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Summary of Legislation Considered by the Joint Standing Committees
August 2005

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 organized by committees 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. A subject index for each committee is included immediately before the bill summaries for that committee, and a numerical index by LD number is included 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:

- CARRIED OVER Bill Carried Over to Second Regular Session
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
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 First Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is June 29, 2005; and for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Special Session is September 17, 2005.

Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

LD 1391

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 15: Batterer Intervention Program Certification, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Corrections

**RESOLVE 40
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report
OTP

Amendments Adopted

LD 1391 proposed to provide for legislative review of Chapter 15: Batterer Intervention Program Certification, a major substantive rule of the Department of Corrections.

Enacted law summary

Resolve 2005, chapter 40 authorizes final adoption of Chapter 15: Batterer Intervention Program Certification, a major substantive rule of the Department of Corrections.

Resolve 2005, chapter 40 was passed as an emergency measure effective May 20, 2005.

LD 1433

An Act To Amend the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act of 1999

PUBLIC 423

Sponsor(s)
BLANCHETTE
DIAMOND

Committee Report
OTP-AM

Amendments Adopted
H-607
S-387 GAGNON

LD 1433 proposed to amend the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act of 1999. Specifically, the bill proposed to do the following:

1. Clarify that the Act applies to persons sentenced at any time in jurisdictions other than Maine if those persons were required to register or would have been required to register in those other jurisdictions if they had remained there;
2. Clarify that "prior conviction" means a conviction that occurred at any time. It specifies that convictions that result from or are connected with the same act or result from offenses committed at the same time are considered one conviction unless the offenses were committed against more than one victim. More than one prior conviction may have occurred on the same day;
3. Repeal language made unnecessary by Public Law 2003, chapter 711, which redefined "sex offense" and defined the terms "another state" and "jurisdiction;"
4. Give the Department of Public Safety, State Bureau of Identification authority to adopt routine technical rules necessary to implement registration and notification practices;
5. Add the duty of a registrant to give notification of the registrant's residence in Maine;