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*State Of Maine
122nd Legislature*

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Bill Summaries

*Joint Standing Committee
on
Legal and Veterans' Affairs*

July 2006

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Summary of Legislation Before The Joint Standing Committees

Enclosed please find a summary of all bills, resolves, joint study orders, joint resolutions and Constitutional resolutions that were considered by the joint standing 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/billsumm.htm).

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.....	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
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.....	Chapter # of finally passed Resolve
UNSIGNED (Pocket Veto).....	Bill held by Governor
VETO SUSTAINED.....	Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

Please note that the effective date for all non-emergency legislation enacted in the Second Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is August 23, 2006.

Joint Standing Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2005, chapter 562 requires a lobbyist or lobbyist associate to disclose the name of the person or organization represented when testifying before a joint select or joint standing committee of the Legislature. It also requires the lobbyist or lobbyist associate to disclose whether the lobbyist or lobbyist associate or the person or organization represented is compensating a person who is testifying before a joint select or joint standing committee of the Legislature. Chapter 562 provides that alleged violations of this requirement may be reported to the Commission on Governmental Ethics and Election Practices in accordance with the Joint Rules of the Legislature.

LD 2013

Resolve, Regarding a Monument for Women Veterans of Maine

**RESOLVE 215
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)
MITCHELL
CANAVAN

Committee Report
OTP

Amendments Adopted

This resolve proposed to amend Resolve 2005, chapter 116 to extend the Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine until December 7, 2006

It would deallocate funds from the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, Bureau of Maine Veterans' Services to be reallocated to the commission to pay for the meetings of the commission. The resolve includes an emergency preamble and emergency clause. It would also make the resolve retroactive to September 15, 2005.

Enacted law summary

Resolve 2005, chapter 215 amends Resolve 2005, chapter 116 to extend the Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine until December 7, 2006.

It deallocates funds from the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, Bureau of Maine Veterans' Services to be reallocated to the commission to pay for the meetings of the commission. It also makes the resolve retroactive to September 15, 2005.

Resolve 2005, chapter 215 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective May 30, 2006.