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| | Action |
|---|---------------|
| Senator Alfond of Cumberland | |
| LR 2252 | FAILED |
| An Act To Transfer the Maine Coworking Development Fund from the Department of Economic and Community Development to the Finance Authority of Maine | |
| LR 2409 | PASSED |
| An Act To Increase Collaboration between the Department of Education and School Food Service Directors | |
| LR 2410 | PASSED |
| An Act To Feed Young Children by Strengthening the Child and Adult Care Food Program | |
| LR 2415 | FAILED |
| An Act To Attract Talent to Maine by Promoting the Educational Opportunity Tax Credit | |
| LR 2416 | FAILED |
| An Act To Feed Children from Low-income Families | |
| LR 2532 | FAILED |
| An Act To Increase Awareness of Postsecondary Financial Aid Options | |
| Representative Babbidge of Kennebunk | |
| LR 2546 | FAILED |
| An Act To Establish Policy Regarding Distributed Solar Power | |
| Senator Baker of Sagadahoc | |
| LR 2351 | PASSED |
| An Act To Protect Firefighters by Prohibiting the Use of Certain Flame-retardant Chemicals in New Upholstered Furniture | |
| LR 2390 | PASSED |
| An Act To Improve Teaching Assignments in Maine's Public Schools | |

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| Representative Bear of Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians | |
| LR 2161 An Act To Reduce Diabetes and Obesity among Members of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians by Recognizing and Providing for the Right of Tribal Members To Hunt Moose for Sustenance throughout Aroostook County | FAILED |
| LR 2162 An Act To Alleviate Unemployment in Aroostook and Washington Counties by Authorizing a Tribal Casino To Be Operated by the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians on Tribal Lands in Aroostook County | FAILED |
| LR 2164 An Act To Alleviate Tribal Unemployment, Fund Economic Development for the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and Provide Funding for Essential Tribal Government Health and Housing Programs in Aroostook County by Annually Apportioning a Percentage of Slot Machine Income from the Casino in Bangor to Federally Recognized Tribes in Aroostook County | FAILED |
| LR 2345 An Act To Alleviate Tribal Unemployment and Fund Critical Tribal Government Programs for Federally Recognized Tribes in the State by Exempting the Tribes from State Gaming Laws for Gaming Conducted on Tribal Lands Using 350 or Fewer Slot Machines and Located More Than 80 Miles from an Existing Casino | FAILED |
| LR 2391 An Act To Alleviate Tribal Unemployment by Removing Barriers to the Granting of Commercial Lobster and Crab Fishing Licenses to Members of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians | FAILED |
| Representative Beavers of South Berwick | |
| LR 2296 An Act To Require Background Checks for Private Sales or Transfers of Firearms | FAILED |
| LR 2297 Resolve, To Provide the Legislature with Information on the Need for Mental Health Services in County Jails | FAILED |

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| Representative Beavers of South Berwick | |
| LR 2380 | FAILED |
| An Act To Establish a Single Government Entity To Coordinate and Ensure Pipeline Safety in Maine | |
| LR 2404 | FAILED |
| An Act To Establish the Maine Foster Children's Bill of Rights | |
| LR 2459 | FAILED |
| An Act To Revise Qualifications for Certain Members of the Telecommunications Relay Services Advisory Council | |
| LR 2513 | FAILED |
| Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Consider the Rights of Siblings in Situations of Adoption | |
| Representative Beck of Waterville | |
| LR 2542 | PASSED |
| An Act To Encourage Maine Employers To Offer and Employees To Enroll in Disability Income Protection Plans in the Workplace | |
| LR 2547 | FAILED |
| Resolve, To Clarify Inspections of Caregivers under the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act | |
| Representative Beebe-Center of Rockland | |
| LR 2144 | FAILED |
| An Act To Improve the Elver Season | |
| Representative Blume of York | |
| LR 2443 | FAILED |
| An Act To Improve the Management of "Beach-cast" Seaweed for Purposes of Health, Ecology and Tourism | |
| LR 2500 | FAILED |
| An Act To Implement an Owner-operator Requirement in the Scallop and Sea Urchin Fisheries | |

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| Senator Brakey of Androscoggin | |
| LR 2223 | FAILED |
| An Act To Eliminate the Disclosure Requirement for a Person Carrying a Concealed Handgun without a Permit | |
| LR 2262 | FAILED |
| An Act Regarding New School Construction | |
| LR 2325 | FAILED |
| An Act To Impose Penalties for Certain Transfers of Assets at Less Than Fair Market Value by Individuals | |
| Senator Breen of Cumberland | |
| LR 2269 | PASSED |
| An Act To Promote Private Fund-raising for the Governor Baxter School for the Deaf | |
| Representative Brooks of Lewiston | |
| LR 2484 | FAILED |
| An Act To Improve Internet Safety for Children | |
| LR 2485 | FAILED |
| An Act To Improve Insurance Coverage for Breast Cancer Screening and To Inform Patients If They Have Increased Breast Density | |
| Senator Burns of Washington | |
| LR 2250 | PASSED |
| An Act To Expand the Definition of "Advocate" for Purposes of Disclosure of Information by a Criminal Justice Agency | |
| LR 2293 | PASSED |
| An Act To Provide an Annual Cost-of-living Adjustment to Nursing Facilities | |
| LR 2294 | PASSED |
| An Act To Preserve MaineCare Assisted Living by Providing a Cost-of-living Adjustment to Private Nonmedical Institutions and Adult Family Care Homes | |

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| Senator Burns of Washington | |
| LR 2363 | PASSED |
| An Act To Reduce the Trafficking of Illegal Drugs in the State | |
| Representative Campbell of Orrington | |
| LR 2330 | TABLED |
| An Act To Encourage the Development of Commercial Transportation Opportunities in Bucksport | |
| LR 2331 | TABLED |
| An Act To Encourage the Development of Electrical and Natural Gas Infrastructure in Bucksport | |
| Representative Chipman of Portland | |
| LR 2139 | FAILED |
| An Act To Allow Municipalities To Restrict How Close to Daycare Facilities Convicted Sex Offenders May Live | |
| Senator Collins of York | |
| LR 2239 | FAILED |
| An Act To Allow Minors at Licensed Campgrounds To Participate in Certain Seasonal Activities | |
| Representative Cooper of Yarmouth | |
| LR 2256 | FAILED |
| An Act To Amend the Appointment Process for Members of the Land for Maine's Future Board and the Responsibilities of the Board | |
| LR 2436 | FAILED |
| An Act To Limit the Increase in the Price of Prescription Drugs | |
| Senator Cushing of Penobscot | |
| LR 2496 | PASSED |
| An Act To Repeal the Service Provider Tax on So-called Appendix C Private Nonmedical Institutions | |
| LR 2539 | PASSED |
| An Act To Ensure Nondiscrimination against Gun Owners in Housing | |

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| Senator Cyrway of Kennebec | |
| LR 2284 | PASSED |
| An Act To Increase Sentences Imposed for Interstate Trafficking of Illegal Drugs | |
| Representative Daughtry of Brunswick | |
| LR 2279 | FAILED |
| An Act To Require That High School Curricula Include Instruction Regarding Affirmative Consent, Communication and Decision- making Skills | |
| Representative Davitt of Hampden | |
| LR 2311 | FAILED |
| An Act To Establish the Veterans Count Maine Donation Fund | |
| Representative Devin of Newcastle | |
| LR 2474 | FAILED |
| Resolve, To Ensure the Sustainability of the Periwinkle Fishery | |
| LR 2511 | FAILED |
| An Act To Address the Costs for Certain Special Education Students | |
| Representative Dion of Portland | |
| LR 2385 | PASSED |
| An Act To Establish the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Program in Maine | |
| LR 2506 | PASSED |
| An Act To Clarify Laws Relating to Affiliate Ownership of Electric Generation | |
| Representative Duchesne of Hudson | |
| LR 2146 | PASSED |
| An Act To Establish November 1st as Veterans in the Arts and Humanities Day | |

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| Senator Edgecomb of Aroostook | |
| LR 2184 | FAILED |
| An Act To Allow a Part of the Town of Caribou To Secede and Form the Town of Lyndon | |
| Representative Fecteau of Biddeford | |
| LR 2176 | PASSED |
| An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Fund Vocational High Schools | |
| LR 2453 | FAILED |
| An Act To Protect Taxpayer Dollars and Ensure the Integrity of State Economic Development Programs | |
| Representative Fowle of Vassalboro | |
| LR 2210 | PASSED |
| An Act To Amend the Laws on Protection from Abuse and Unauthorized Dissemination of Certain Private Images | |
| Representative Fredette of Newport | |
| LR 2211 | PASSED |
| An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Protection from Abuse Orders in Order To Implement the Laws Regarding the Unauthorized Dissemination of Certain Private Images | |
| LR 2434 | PASSED |
| An Act To Make Additional Technical Changes to Recently Enacted Tax Legislation Concerning Pension Income | |
| Representative Frey of Bangor | |
| LR 2427 | FAILED |
| An Act To Strengthen Programs To Help Individuals Overcome Addiction | |
| LR 2514 | FAILED |
| An Act To Support State Psychiatric and Forensic Workers | |

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| Representative Gattine of Westbrook | |
| LR 2431 An Act To Create Equity among Essential Nonprofit Health Care Providers in Relation to the Sales Tax | PASSED |
| LR 2450 An Act To Eliminate the Waiting List for Community-based Services Provided under MaineCare for Individuals with a Brain Injury, an Intellectual Disability or Autism | FAILED |
| LR 2456 Resolve, To Improve Access to and the Quality of Services for Persons with Mental Illness | TABLED |
| LR 2471 An Act To Expand Resources for Independent Living Services for People with Disabilities | FAILED |
| Senator Gerzofsky of Cumberland | |
| LR 2381 An Act To Ensure Fairness in Shellfish and Marine Worm Digger Licensing | PASSED |
| LR 2387 An Act To Protect Shellfish Conservation Areas | PASSED |
| Representative Gideon of Freeport | |
| LR 2479 An Act To Make Maine Energy-independent | TABLED |
| LR 2488 An Act To Revitalize Infrastructure Investment To Create Jobs | FAILED |
| Representative Golden of Lewiston | |
| LR 2397 An Act To Increase Information for Parents and Teachers Regarding Standardized Tests | FAILED |

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| Representative Golden of Lewiston | |
| LR 2398 | FAILED |
| An Act To Ensure Central Maine Companies Have Access to Skilled Labor | |
| Representative Goode of Bangor | |
| LR 2422 | PASSED |
| An Act To Increase the Safety of Social Workers | |
| Representative Grohman of Biddeford | |
| LR 2435 | PASSED |
| An Act To Make Efficient Heat Pumps Available to Low-income Customers | |
| LR 2438 | PASSED |
| An Act To Allow School Resource Officers To Have Jurisdiction at Off-site Events | |
| Representative Hamann of South Portland | |
| LR 2520 | FAILED |
| An Act To Prevent Fatal Opioid Overdoses among Youth and Seniors | |
| LR 2525 | FAILED |
| An Act To Provide Meals to Homebound Individuals | |
| Representative Hanley of Pittston | |
| LR 2185 | FAILED |
| Resolve, To Postpone Implementation of Department of Marine Resources Rules Regarding Smelt | |
| Senator Haskell of Cumberland | |
| LR 2298 | FAILED |
| An Act To Allow Municipalities To Regulate Transportation Network Companies | |
| LR 2497 | FAILED |
| An Act To Strengthen the Economic Well-being of Maine's Workforce by Ensuring Employees Can Earn Paid Sick Time | |

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| Representative Herbig of Belfast | |
| LR 2505 | PASSED |
| Resolve, Directing the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations To Amend Its Rules To Allow Retailers To Return Promotional Alcoholic Beverages to Distributors | |
| Senator Hill of York | |
| LR 2408 | TABLED |
| An Act To Provide Accountability in State Government Partnerships | |
| Representative Hubbell of Bar Harbor | |
| LR 2272 | FAILED |
| An Act To Establish a Specific Schedule for the Review of the Content Areas of Learning Standards | |
| LR 2273 | FAILED |
| An Act To Clarify the Liability for Special Education Costs under State-directed Student Transfers | |
| LR 2300 | PASSED |
| An Act To Enable Alternative Organizational Structures To Purchase Group Health Insurance for All Employees | |
| LR 2433 | FAILED |
| An Act To Increase Transparency in the Setting of Normal Teacher Retirement Costs Rates for School Districts | |
| Representative Hymanson of York | |
| LR 2356 | FAILED |
| An Act To Reduce Drunk Driving | |
| Senator Johnson of Lincoln | |
| LR 2147 | FAILED |
| An Act To Ensure the Proportional Offset against Social Security Retirement Benefits of Workers' Compensation Awards | |

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| Senator Johnson of Lincoln | |
| LR 2378 | FAILED |
| An Act To Establish a Pilot Program To Prevent Student Drug Addiction | |
| LR 2379 | FAILED |
| An Act To Ensure the Continued Operation of Boards and Commissions in State Government | |
| Representative Jorgensen of Portland | |
| LR 2548 | FAILED |
| An Act To Strengthen the Respite Care Fund | |
| Senator Katz of Kennebec | |
| LR 2130 | PASSED |
| An Act To Reauthorize Certain Land for Maine's Future Bonds and To Facilitate the Issuance of Those Bonds | |
| LR 2260 | PASSED |
| An Act To Update the Laws Governing the Maine Veterans' Home | |
| LR 2365 | FAILED |
| An Act To Establish the Maine Student Loan Borrower Bill of Rights | |
| LR 2366 | FAILED |
| An Act To Establish the Maine Tuition Integrity Act | |
| Representative Kinney of Knox | |
| LR 2181 | PASSED |
| An Act To Authorize a Person Whose Driver's License Is Suspended Due To Failure To Pay Child Support To Drive to and from a Place of Employment | |
| LR 2182 | FAILED |
| An Act To Prohibit State Funding of Health Care Services Provided by Certain Health Care Providers | |

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| Representative Kruger of Thomaston | |
| LR 2281 | FAILED |
| An Act To Require an Environmental Impact Statement for a Dredging Project in the Penobscot River Watershed and To Require That the Dredging Activity Be the Least Environmentally and Economically Damaging Alternative Available | |
| Representative Kumiega, III of Deer Isle | |
| LR 2423 | PASSED |
| An Act To Improve Maine's Lobster Licensing and Limited-entry System | |
| LR 2424 | PASSED |
| An Act To Provide Flexibility To Designate the Closed Period for Elver Harvesting | |
| Representative Lajoie of Lewiston | |
| LR 2354 | PASSED |
| An Act To Require the State To Adequately Pay for Emergency Medical Services | |
| Senator Langley of Hancock | |
| LR 2249 | PASSED |
| An Act To Create Improved Consumer Protection against Long-term Care Insurance Premium Rate Increases | |
| LR 2334 | FAILED |
| An Act To Amend Certain Education Statutes | |
| Representative Maker of Calais | |
| LR 2452 | PASSED |
| An Act To Amend the Teacher Certification Statutes | |
| LR 2501 | PASSED |
| An Act To Support Maine People in Recovery | |

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| Representative Malaby of Hancock | |
| LR 2413 | FAILED |
| An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding the Right to Standing and Intervenor Status in Child Protection Proceedings | |
| LR 2554 | PASSED |
| An Act To Enact the Foster Parents' Bill of Rights | |
| Representative Martin of Eagle Lake | |
| LR 2552 | FAILED |
| An Act To Make Corrections to the Biennial Budget Regarding the Maine Forest Service | |
| LR 2553 | FAILED |
| An Act To Transfer Excess Revenue from the State's Liquor Contract in Fiscal Year 2016-17 to General Purpose Aid to Local Schools | |
| Representative McCabe of Skowhegan | |
| LR 2322 | TABLED |
| An Act To Ensure the Proper Functioning of State Government by Ensuring Execution of Executive Branch Duties | |
| LR 2359 | FAILED |
| An Act To Provide Heating Assistance for Maine Seniors and Families | |
| LR 2503 | PASSED |
| An Act To Coordinate Education and Prevention Efforts in Our Schools To Stop Harmful Drug Use | |
| Representative McClellan of Raymond | |
| LR 2299 | FAILED |
| An Act to Limit Municipalities' Exposure on Tuition Payments for Choice Students | |
| LR 2440 | PASSED |
| An Act To Create Arts Engage ME | |

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| Representative McClellan of Raymond | |
| LR 2441 | PASSED |
| An Act Regarding the Maine Arts Commission | |
| Senator Millett of Cumberland | |
| LR 2320 | FAILED |
| An Act To Promote Postsecondary Education Attainment and Degree Completion | |
| LR 2329 | PASSED |
| An Act To Facilitate the Use of State Education Subsidies | |
| Senator Miramant of Knox | |
| LR 2154 | FAILED |
| An Act To Protect Worker Benefits | |
| Representative Nadeau of Winslow | |
| LR 2202 | PASSED |
| An Act To Allow the Kennebec Sanitary Treatment District To Establish and Maintain a Capital Reserve Fund | |
| Representative O'Connor of Berwick | |
| LR 2303 | PASSED |
| An Act To Expand the Early Processing of Absentee Ballots | |
| Senator Patrick of Oxford | |
| LR 2461 | FAILED |
| An Act To Include Energy from Combined Heat and Power Facilities as Part of the Maine Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard | |
| Representative Peterson of Rumford | |
| LR 2426 | PASSED |
| An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Oversight over and Responsibility for the Kim Wallace Adaptive Equipment Loan Program | |

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| Representative Picchiotti of Fairfield | |
| LR 2355 | PASSED |
| An Act To Ensure Children in the Care of Their Grandparents Can Access Fundamental Services | |
| LR 2411 | FAILED |
| An Act To Enhance the Family Reunification Process | |
| Representative Pierce of Dresden | |
| LR 2245 | FAILED |
| An Act To Ensure Consumer Protection in the Laws Governing Foreclosure | |
| Representative Powers of Naples | |
| LR 2318 | FAILED |
| An Act To Require Houseboats To Have a Marine Sanitation Device | |
| Senator Rosen of Hancock | |
| LR 2271 | PASSED |
| An Act To Clarify Financial Responsibility in Gestational Carrier Agreements | |
| Representative Rotundo of Lewiston | |
| LR 2399 | TABLED |
| An Act To Fund and Implement Wage Adjustments for All State Correctional Employees Who Perform Direct Care or Supervision of Prisoners | |
| Representative Rykerson of Kittery | |
| LR 2231 | FAILED |
| An Act Regarding Clinical Practice Requirements for Licensure as an Independent Practice Dental Hygienist | |
| Senator Saviello of Franklin | |
| LR 2205 | TABLED |
| An Act To Create a Battery Stewardship Program | |

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| Senator Saviello of Franklin | |
| LR 2206 An Act To Oversee Organic Dairy Farm Audits | FAILED |
| LR 2395 An Act To Allow All Manufacturers Licensed by the Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages and Lottery Operations To Provide Samples of Products to Retail Licensees | PASSED |
| LR 2396 An Act To Permit Tasting Rooms and Pubs Operated by a Manufacturer under an On-premises Retail License To Sell Their Products for On-premises or Off-premises Consumption without Physical Separation or Separate Inventory | PASSED |
| Representative Sirocki of Scarborough | |
| LR 2414 An Act To Conform Maine Law to the Requirements of the American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation | PASSED |
| Representative Stanley of Medway | |
| LR 2290 An Act To Allow Persons 16 Years of Age and Older To Operate Personal Watercraft | FAILED |
| LR 2312 An Act To Limit Consent Regarding Land Transfers to the Federal Government | FAILED |
| Representative Stearns of Guilford | |
| LR 2361 An Act To Improve the Superintendent Transfer Process | FAILED |
| Representative Tepler of Topsham | |
| LR 2195 An Act to Provide MaineCare Coverage for Dental Services To Intellectually Disabled Adults | FAILED |

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| Representative Tipping-Spitz of Orono LR 2526 An Act To Improve Transparency in Education Funding | FAILED |
| Representative Tuell of East Machias LR 2352 An Act To Facilitate Homegrown Education in Maine | PASSED |
| Representative Turner of Burlington LR 2350 An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Withdrawal of a Single Municipality from a Regional School Unit | FAILED |
| Representative Vachon of Scarborough LR 2454 An Act To Clarify Medicaid Managed Care Ombudsman Services | PASSED |
| Senator Volk of Cumberland LR 2219 An Act To Protect Low-wage Workers | FAILED |
| Representative Wadsworth of Hiram LR 2489 An Act To Ensure a Timely Reduction in Energy Costs for Maine Consumers | TABLED |
| Representative Warren of Hallowell LR 2369 An Act To Give Proper Oversight to the So-called Fusion Center Advisory Board | FAILED |
| Senator Whitemore of Somerset LR 2371 An Act To Amend the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association Act | PASSED |

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| Senator Whitemore of Somerset | |
| LR 2478 | FAILED |
| An Act To Promote Drug Awareness Education in Maine's Schools | |
| Senator Willette of Aroostook | |
| LR 2555 | FAILED |
| An Act To Amend the Law Regarding the Diversion Alert Program | |
| Senator Woodsome of York | |
| LR 2407 | PASSED |
| An Act To Increase Access to Opiate Addiction Treatment in Maine | |

Total number of bills accepted: 54

Total number of bills tabled: 9

Total number of bills screened: 146