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Summaries of bills, adopted amendments and laws enacted or finally passed

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON INLAND FISHERIES
AND WILDLIFE**

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST OF BILL SUMMARIES AND
ENACTED LAWS

This *Legislative Digest of Bill Summaries and Enacted Laws* summarizes all LDs and adopted amendments and all laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular Session of the 125th Maine Legislature.

The *Digest* is arranged alphabetically by committee and within each committee by Legislative Document (LD) number. The committee report(s), prime sponsor and lead co-sponsor(s), if designated, are listed below each LD title. All adopted amendments are summarized and listed by paper number. A subject index is included with each committee. The appendices include a summary of relevant session statistics, an index of all bills by LD number and an index of enacted laws by law type and chapter number.

Final action on each LD is noted to the right of the LD title. The following describes the various final actions.

CARRIED OVER carried over to a subsequent session of the Legislature
CON RES XXX..... chapter # of constitutional resolution passed by both houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE..... Committee of Conference unable to agree; legislation died
DIED BETWEEN HOUSES..... House & Senate disagreed; legislation died
DIED IN CONCURRENCE..... defeated in each house, but on different motions; legislation died
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT..... action incomplete when session ended; legislation died
EMERGENCY..... enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days after session adjournment
FAILED, EMERGENCY ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGE emergency failed to receive required 2/3 vote
FAILED, ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGE..... failed to receive final majority vote
FAILED, MANDATE ENACTMENT legislation proposing local mandate failed required 2/3 vote
HELD BY GOVERNOR..... Governor has not signed; final disposition to be determined at subsequent session
LEAVE TO WITHDRAW..... sponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY ruled out of order by the presiding officer; legislation died
INDEF PP..... indefinitely postponed; legislation died
ONTP, ACCEPTED, MAJORITY, MINORITY or REPORT X... ought-not-to-pass report accepted; legislation died
P&S XXX..... chapter # of enacted private & special law
PUBLIC XXX..... chapter # of enacted public Law
RESOLVE XXX..... chapter # of finally passed resolve
VETO SUSTAINED..... Legislature failed to override Governor's veto

The effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Regular Session of the 125th Legislature is September 28, 2011. The effective date for legislation enacted as an emergency measure may be found in the enacted law summary for that legislation.

Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

**LD 445 Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To
Study Scents Used in Hunting Deer and Renderings Used in Deer Feed**

RESOLVE 36

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANDERSON TRAHAN	OTP	

This resolve directs the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to study the sale of deer scent lures containing cervid urine and the sale of deer feed containing animal renderings and the implications that the sale and use of these products have for the spread of chronic wasting disease. The department is required to report its findings, including any suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife no later than December 7, 2011.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2011, chapter 36 directs the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to study the sale of deer scent lures containing cervid urine and the sale of deer feed containing animal renderings and the implications that the sale and use of these products have for the spread of chronic wasting disease. The department is required to report its findings, including any suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife no later than December 7, 2011.

LD 450 An Act To Auction Off Moose Permits to Maine Guides

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOOD	ONTP	

This bill directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to issue 300 moose hunting permits each year to licensed Maine guides. The 300 moose hunting permits for licensed Maine guides are in addition to those moose hunting permits allotted under the regular lottery system. The bill limits the number of moose hunting permits a licensed Maine guide can receive in one year to 2 and allows that licensed Maine guide to sell those moose hunting permits at sportsman shows. The bill establishes a fee structure and provides that money raised from those fees must be used to support biologists conducting moose-related research in the State.

**LD 458 An Act To Allow Certain Residents over 70 Years of Age To Obtain a
Complimentary Antlerless Deer Permit**

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HARMON JACKSON	ONTP	

This bill allows a resident of the State who is over 70 years of age and who has been a resident in the State for 25 years to receive a complimentary antlerless deer permit for life.