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125th Legislature First Regular Session



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

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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	
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
EMERGENCYenac	ted law takes effect sooner than 90 days after session adjournment
FAILED, EMERGENCY ENACTMENT or FINA	AL 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 GOVERNORGovernor has n	not signed; final disposition to be determined at subsequent session
LEAVE TO WITHDRAW	sponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted
	ruled out of order by the presiding officer; legislation died
INDEF PP	indefinitely postponed; legislation died
	r REPORT X ought-not-to-pass report accepted; legislation died
P&S XXX	chapter # of enacted private & special law
	chapter # of enacted public Law
RESOLVE XXX	chapter # of finally passed resolve
	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 Health and Human Services

cigar papers and cigar wraps.

LD 1122 An Act To Increase Dental Benefits and Oral Health Care

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
HINCK CRAVEN	ONTP	

This bill provides expanded dental benefits for adults in the MaineCare program and also directs the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to convene a broadly representative working group to review the feasibility of implementing certain provisions of the Governor's Task Force on Expanding Access to Oral Health Care for Maine People and to report with suggested legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by November 1, 2011.

LD 1131 An Act To Require Public Disclosure of Health Care Prices

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
WOODBURY	ONTP	

This bill requires a health care practitioner to maintain a price list of the health care practitioner's most common services and procedures and to provide the list to a consumer upon request effective January 1, 2012.

LD 1159 An Act To Amend the Identification Requirements under the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act

PUBLIC 383

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
HASKELL GERZOFSKY	OTP-AM	H-541

This bill clarifies that an individual must posses both a valid registry identification card and a valid Maine-issued driver's license or other Maine-issued photo identification as proof of valid participation in the medical use of marijuana.

This bill specifies that a primary caregiver's registry identification card expires on the same date that the patient's card expires.

This bill removes the requirement that registry identification cards contain information distinguishing the cardholder as a patient or primary caregiver and a photo.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-541)

This amendment adds to the bill provisions on forfeiture for excess marijuana, allowing the use in court of certified copies of marijuana registry records and rulemaking on fees paid by primary caregivers.