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STATE OF MAINE

125th Legislature Second 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 Second 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
	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 de,	feated in each house, but on different motions; legislation died
	action incomplete when session ended; legislation died
EMERGENCY enacted	law takes effect sooner than 90 days after session adjournment
FAILED, EMERGENCY ENACTMENT or FINAL P.	ASSAGEemergency 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 s	igned; final disposition to be determined at subsequent session
	sponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted
	ruled out of order by the presiding officer; legislation died
	indefinitely postponed; legislation died
ONTP, ACCEPTED, MAJORITY, MINORITY or RE	SPORT X ought-not-to-pass report accepted; legislation died
P&S XXX	chapter # of enacted private & special law
	chapter # of enacted public Law
	chapter # of finally passed resolve
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature failed to override Governor's veto

The effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the Second Regular Session of the 125th Legislature is Thursday, August 30, 2012. 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 Criminal Justice and Public Safety

LD 1095 An Act To Facilitate the Construction and Operation of Private Prisons by Authorizing the Transport of Prisoners out of State

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
THOMAS	ONTP	

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session of the 125th Legislature.

This bill facilitates the construction and operation of private prisons by specifically authorizing the Commissioner of Corrections to transport a prisoner out of the State for any purpose that the commissioner determines necessary and appropriate, including the transfer of a prisoner to a public or private correctional facility.

LD 1143

An Act To Require That Law Enforcement Officials Collect DNA Samples from Persons Arrested for Certain Crimes

MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
MALONEY	ONTP MAJ OTP-AM MIN	

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session of the 125th Legislature.

This bill requires a person who has been arrested, charged or indicted on or after January 1, 2012 for murder, a Class A, B or C crime, sexual abuse of a minor, unlawful sexual contact, visual sexual aggression against a child, sexual misconduct with a child under 14 years of age or soliciting a child by a computer to commit a prohibited act to submit to having a DNA sample taken to be added to the state DNA data base.

The bill provides funds to pay for the collection of DNA samples for the state DNA data base by creating the state DNA Data Base Fund surcharge, which requires an additional assessment on all criminal and motor vehicle violation fines equal to 7% of the amount of the fines, to be deposited into the Fund established and administered by the Department of Public Safety.

LD 1514 An Act To Amend the Sex Offender Registration Laws

PUBLIC 663

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
HASKELL GERZOFSKY	OTP-AM	Н-873

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session of the 125th Legislature.

This bill creates the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act of 2011, which is applicable to persons sentenced on or after October 15, 2011. The Act maintains registration and notification provisions but adds to these processes a tiering system and the development and application of risk assessment. The new Act's purpose continues