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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* contains summaries of all LDs and adopted amendments and all laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular Session of the 128<sup>th</sup> 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. An appendix provides a summary of relevant session statistics.

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 128<sup>th</sup> Legislature is Wednesday, November 1, 2017. 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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development***

**LD 13      An Act To Require Certain Licensing Boards To Report Cases of Sexual Abuse of a Patient or Client by a Licensee to a Law Enforcement Agency or the Department of Health and Human Services      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ESPLING E VOLK A	ONTP	

This bill requires the Board of Osteopathic Licensure, the Board of Licensure in Medicine, the State Board of Social Worker Licensure, the Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure and the Board of Dental Practice to report to a law enforcement agency or the Department of Health and Human Services known or suspected incidents of sexual abuse of a client or patient by a professional regulated by the board or by an assistant to a professional regulated by the board.

**LD 22      An Act To Repeal the Requirement That Municipalities License Roller-skating Rinks      PUBLIC 12**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TURNER B MAKER J	OTP	

This bill repeals the statute that requires municipal officers to license roller-skating rinks and that makes it a civil offense to operate a roller-skating rink without a license from the municipality where the rink is located.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2017, chapter 12 repeals the statute that requires municipal officers to license roller-skating rinks and that makes it a civil offense to operate a roller-skating rink without a license from the municipality where the rink is located.

**LD 37      An Act To Provide a Career and Technical Education Training Option for Plumbers      PUBLIC 4**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MILLETT R KORNFIELD T	OTP-AM	S-3

This bill allows a person who has completed a plumbing course as a secondary student at an approved career and technical education program and who has passed the journeyman licensing examination to obtain a journeyman-in-training license from the Plumbers' Examining Board.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-3)**

This amendment makes technical corrections to provide consistency in the statutory language governing the qualifications for obtaining a journeyman-in-training plumbing license.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2017, chapter 4 allows a person who has completed a plumbing course as a secondary student at an approved career and technical education program and who has passed the journeyman licensing examination to obtain a journeyman-in-training license from the Plumbers' Examining Board.