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128th 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 contains summaries of all LDs and adopted amendments and all laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular Session of the 128th 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
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE
DIED BETWEEN HOUSES
DIED IN CONCURRENCE defeated in each house, but on different motions; legislation died
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT action incomplete when session ended; legislation died
EMERGENCYenacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days after session adjournment
FAILED, EMERGENCY ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGEemergency failed to receive required 2/3 vote
FAILED, ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGE failed to receive final majority vote
FAILED, MANDATE ENACTMENTlegislation 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 WITHDRAWsponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODYruled 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
PUBLIC XXX
RESOLVE XXX
VETO SUSTAINEDLegislature failed to override Governor's veto

The effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Regular Session of the 128th 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 Education and Cultural Affairs

This amendment was not adopted.

LD 378 An Act To Promote Physical Activity for Schoolchildren

Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
MILLETT R	ONTP	
PIERCE T	OTP	

This bill requires all school administrative units to provide at least 30 minutes of daily physical activity for all students in kindergarten to grade five. The bill provides that a teacher may restrict a student from engaging in physical activity if the physical activity presents a danger to the student or others or if the restriction is consistent with the student's individualized education program.

LD 380

An Act To Implement the Federal Every Student Succeeds Act in Maine

Leave to Withdraw Pursuant to Joint Rule

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
MILLETT R		
KORNFIELD T		

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

The bill proposes to implement the federal Every Student Succeeds Act in Maine.

LD 397 An Act To Ensure the 3 Percent Tax on Incomes over \$200,000 Is Distributed Proportionally Based on Student Counts

Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
MALABY R	ONTP	
	OTP-AM	

This bill provides that the supplemental revenue funds allocated to school administrative units by the Commissioner of Education from the Fund to Advance Public Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education must be distributed proportionally based on the average October and April pupil enrollment counts for that fiscal year. The bill requires that every school administrative unit receives the same amount of supplemental state revenue contribution funds per pupil regardless of the local cost share expectation calculated under the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act. This bill also repeals the authorization for the Department of Education to use the fund for administrative costs.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-52)

This amendment, which is the minority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs, incorporates a fiscal note.

This amendment was not adopted.