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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, 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 Select Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation

Fund is a nonlapsing Other Special Revenue Funds account.

Public Law 2017, chapter 278 also requires the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to report to the Joint Select Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation 60 days after the effective date of the Act and every 60 days thereafter until final adjournment of the Second Regular Session of the 128th Legislature. The report must provide information on the progress of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services and all other state departments involved with implementing the Marijuana Legalization Act.

Public Law 2017, chapter 278 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 29, 2017.

LD 301 An Act To Protect Children from Marijuana Sales by Prohibiting Retail Marijuana Establishments and Social Clubs near Schools

CARRIED OVER

Sponsor(s)

HANDY J

DIAMOND B

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

This bill restricts the licensing authority of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry under the Marijuana Legalization Act by prohibiting the issuance of a license under that Act to operate a retail marijuana establishment or a retail marijuana social club that is to be located within 2,000 feet of the property line of a preexisting school.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular sesssion of the 128th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1138.

LD 310 An Act To Responsibly Implement an Adult Use Cannabis Program

CARRIED OVER

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
BRAKEY E		

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

It proposes to amend the provisions of the Marijuana Legalization Act, as enacted in Initiated Bill 2015, chapter 5.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular sesssion of the 128th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1138.

LD 387

An Act To Provide for Oversight of Maine's Recreational Marijuana Laws

CARRIED OVER

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
GRATWICK G		
MCCREA D		

This bill directs the Statewide Coordinating Council for Public Health to serve in an advisory capacity on public health matters related to retail marijuana to the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry acting as chief administrative officer of the state licensing authority for the cultivation, manufacture, distribution, testing and sale of retail marijuana.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 128th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1138.