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STATE OF MAINE  
128<sup>TH</sup> 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 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 Health and Human Services*

**LD 692      Resolve, To Provide Meals to Homebound Individuals**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAMANN S		

This resolve provides for the appropriation of funding to provide meals from the Meals on Wheels program to additional homebound individuals. This resolve also establishes a work group to research food access barriers and make recommendations about how to leverage resources to ensure regular, adequate nutrition for homebound individuals in the State and to forecast future demand and identify the appropriate level of funding in the future.

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

**LD 717      An Act To Protect Maine School Children from Lead and Arsenic Exposure**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BROOKS H	ONTP	

This bill requires all schools and nursery schools that take drinking water from any source to have the same tests performed on that water, including, but not limited to, tests for lead and arsenic. Current law requires schools that take drinking water from sources other than public water systems to have that water tested. The bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to make all test results available on the department's publicly accessible website and to inform the parents and guardians of all students at a school or nursery school if the water is found to violate the state primary drinking water regulations.

**LD 720      An Act To Provide Lung Cancer Screening for MaineCare Recipients**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KATZ R	OTP-AM ONTP	S-86

This bill requires that annual screening for lung cancer for certain recipients be reimbursed under the MaineCare program. It provides that the Department of Health and Human Services may adopt routine technical rules to implement this requirement.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-86)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, specifies that the criteria to be used to determine lung cancer screening eligibility for MaineCare members are those developed by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. This amendment also includes an appropriations and allocations section.

This bill was reported out of committee and then carried over to any special or regular session of the 128th Legislature on the Special Appropriations Table by joint order, S.P. 601.