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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
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 Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

LD 1048 An Act To Reclassify Certain Offenses and Increase the Efficiency of the Criminal Justice System

CARRIED OVER

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
VOLK A		

This bill requires the use of the Uniform Summons and Complaint form for criminal violations of the Maine Revised Statutes, Titles 12, 17-A and 29-A and the Violation Summons and Complaint for civil violations of those titles. This bill requires the Violation Summons and Complaint form to be the same form as that currently used for traffic infractions and standardizes the use, including the issuance and disposition, of that form by law enforcement officers and the Maine Warden Service.

This bill specifies that district attorneys are required to prosecute only criminal violations of the inland fisheries and wildlife laws and removes references to citations, which are no longer used by the warden service.

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

LD 1050

An Act To Protect the Safety of Emergency Medical Services Personnel and Patients

Died Between Houses

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
SHEATS B	ONTP	
ROSEN K	OTP-AM	
	OTP-AM	

This bill authorizes a political subdivision of the State to adopt an order, ordinance, rule or regulation that prohibits a person from having a firearm in the person's possession while inside an emergency medical services vehicle that is owned or operated by or on behalf of the political subdivision.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-337)

This amendment is one of two minority reports from the committee. The amendment does not prohibit a political subdivision of the State from adopting an order, ordinance, rule or regulation that regulates possession of a firearm while inside an emergency medical services vehicle that is owned or operated by or on behalf of the political subdivision.

This amendment was not adopted.

Committee Amendment "B" (H-338)

This amendment is one of two minority reports from the committee. The amendment does not prohibit a political subdivision of the State from adopting an order, ordinance, rule or regulation requiring that a firearm carried inside an emergency medical services vehicle that is owned or operated by or on behalf of the political subdivision be locked in a lockbox by emergency medical services personnel.

This amendment was not adopted.