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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 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..... 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 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 Transportation

LD 1328 An Act To Promote Bicycle Safety by Placing Warning Signs on Certain Public Ways **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
COREY P	ONTP	

This bill requires the Department of Transportation and municipalities to place bicycle warning signs on public ways that have speed limits over 35 miles per hour and have lanes in which a motor vehicle and a bicycle cannot safely travel side by side. The bill also requires state income tax returns to include a voluntary checkoff of \$5 or more to help pay for the signs.

LD 1347 An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding Driver's License Fees **ONTP**

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

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

This bill proposes to provide equity in the laws governing driver's license fees for persons under 65 years of age and persons 65 years of age or older.

LD 1351 An Act Regarding the Length of Time a Temporary Sign May Be Placed in a Public Way **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DILL J STANLEY S	ONTP	

Current law allows temporary signs to be placed within a public right-of-way for a maximum of six weeks in a calendar year. This bill increases to approximately 12 weeks the amount of time that a temporary sign may be placed within a public right-of-way but restricts the use of those signs to election years by specifying that they may be placed during the period from May 1st before a primary election to the Sunday immediately following that primary election and from October 1st before a general election to the Sunday immediately following that general election.

LD 1394 An Act Regarding Certain License Plates for Veterans and Providing for a Breast Cancer Support Services Disability Plate **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HANINGTON S CUSHING A	ONTP	

This bill reduces the number of special veterans registration plates that may be issued to a veteran from three to two, charges the annual service fee for a veterans vanity plate only for three years and provides for issuance of a breast cancer support services disability registration plate.