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FIRST SPECIAL, SECOND REGULAR AND SECOND SPECIAL SESSIONS



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* contain summaries of all LDs and adopted amendments and all laws enacted or finally passed during the First Special, Second Regular and Second Special Sessions 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 dates for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Special, Second Regular or Second Special Sessions of the 128th Legislature are: Monday, February 5, 2018; Wednesday, August 1, 2018; and Thursday, December 13, 2018, respectively. 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 Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

LD 1826

An Act To Repeal the Sunset Date on the Laws Governing Licensure of Appraisal Management Companies

**PUBLIC 351
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

This bill was reported by the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, section 14049-K, subsection 2. The bill repeals the March 15, 2018 sunset provision in the laws governing the licensure of appraisal management companies in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, chapter 124-A.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2017, chapter 351 attempted to repeal the March 15, 2018 sunset provision in the laws governing the licensure of appraisal management companies in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, chapter 124-A.

Public Law 2017, chapter 351 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 1, 2018, but the laws governing the licensure of appraisal management companies in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, chapter 124-A had already been automatically repealed on March 15, 2018. Re-enactment of Title 32, chapter 124-A was ultimately effectuated through a floor amendment to the errors bill (LD 1894), which was enacted in the Second Special Session of the 128th Legislature as Public Law 2017, chapter 475.

LD 1856 An Act Regarding Permits for Burial of Cremated Remains

**PUBLIC 363
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

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Current law requires a person in charge of a public burying ground or, if no such person exists, an official of the municipality where the public burying ground is located, to endorse and provide the date cremated remains were buried on the permit for burial of cremated remains and return the permit to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics or the clerk of the municipality in which the public burying ground is located. It also requires the funeral director or authorized person to present a copy of each permit, after endorsement, to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics or the clerk of the municipality where the death occurred and to the clerk who issued the permit. This bill makes these required actions voluntary.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2017, chapter 363 makes the permit process for the burial of cremated remains in a public burying ground optional instead of required.

Public Law 2017, chapter 363 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 4, 2018.