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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* 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.

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The amendment also adds an effective date of July 1, 2019. This amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

LD 1818 Resolve, To Designate a Bridge in Gorham the Corporal Joshua P. Barron Memorial Bridge RESOLVE 40

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHEATS B	OTP	

This resolve designates Bridge 6443 in the Town of Gorham the Corporal Joshua P. Barron Memorial Bridge.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2017, chapter 40 designates Bridge 6443 in the Town of Gorham the Corporal Joshua P. Barron Memorial Bridge.

LD 1886 Resolve, To Provide Funding for a Pilot Project To Evaluate and Address the Transportation Needs of Maine's Veterans Died On Adjournment

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP-AM	H-725

This resolve was carried over from the Second Regular Session to the next special session by joint order S.P. 748 on the Special Appropriations Table.

This resolve is reported out by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation pursuant to Resolve 2015, chapter 77, section 4. As required by the resolve, the Department of Transportation submitted to the committee a final written report, including findings and recommendations. The resolve establishes a pilot project in a location served by a regional transportation network to provide transportation for veterans.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-725)

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the resolve. The amendment also changes the beginning date of the 30-month pilot project from September 1, 2018 to July 1, 2018. Finally, the amendment provides that for purposes of the pilot project, "veteran" does not include any person who served on active duty in the United States Armed Forces or served in the Maine National Guard or the reserve components of the United States Armed Forces and who received a dishonorable discharge. The amendment provides that the one-time funding for the pilot project does not lapse but must be carried over to future fiscal years for its intended purpose.

LD 1890 An Act To Streamline the Management of Maine's Transportation Infrastructure by Initiating the Process of Terminating the Maine Turnpike Authority INDEF PP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ESPLING E		

This bill was not referred to committee.

This bill was carried over, pending reference, from the Second Regular Session to the next special session by joint

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order S.P. 748.

This bill:

1. Prohibits the Maine Turnpike Authority from issuing any bonds after October 15, 2018;
2. Requires the Maine Turnpike Authority, no later than October 15, 2028, to pay all its bonds and debts or to set aside sufficient funds in trust to pay all its bonds and debts;
3. Requires the Maine Turnpike Authority, no later than November 1, 2018, to provide to the Department of Transportation a plan to accomplish the requirements of the bill, including the payment of outstanding debt held by the authority;
4. Requires the Maine Turnpike Authority, no later than November 1, 2028, to submit for introduction to the First Regular Session of the 134th Legislature a bill to transfer all of the duties, responsibilities and assets of the authority to the department and to provide for the sale of all unnecessary equipment, buildings and property owned by the authority and the removal of all the toll facilities on the turnpike with the exception of the York toll facility. The bill must also include a plan to increase tolls at the York toll facility by \$2 for passenger vehicles and decrease tolls at the same facility by \$1 for commercial freight vehicles; and
5. Dissolves the Maine Turnpike Authority on October 15, 2029.

LD 1914 **Resolve, To Name the Bridge over the Kennebec River in the Town of Norridgewock the Corporal Eugene Cole Memorial Bridge **RESOLVE 59
EMERGENCY****

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FARRIN B LIBBY N		

This resolve was not referred to committee.

This resolve directs the Department of Transportation to designate Bridge 2187 on Route 201A, which crosses the Kennebec River in the Town of Norridgewock, the Corporal Eugene Cole Memorial Bridge.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2017, chapter 59 directs the Department of Transportation to designate Bridge 2187 on Route 201A, which crosses the Kennebec River in the Town of Norridgewock, the Corporal Eugene Cole Memorial Bridge.

This resolve was finally passed as an emergency measure effective June 29, 2018.

LD 1916 **Resolve, To Name a Bridge over the Saco River in the Town of Fryeburg the Nathan Desjardins Memorial Bridge **RESOLVE 58****

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WADSWORTH N CYRWAY S		

This resolve was not referred to committee.

This resolve directs the Department of Transportation to designate Bridge 2121 on Route 5, which crosses the Saco River in the Town of Fryeburg, the Nathan Desjardins Memorial Bridge.