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129TH 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 129th 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
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 to receive final majority vote
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 chapter # of enacted public law
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 129th Legislature is Thursday, September 19, 2019. 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 Education and Cultural Affairs

LD 283 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 132: Learning Results: Parameters for Essential Instruction, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education

RESOLVE 12 EMERGENCY

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
	OTP	

This resolve provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 132: Learning Results: Parameters for Essential Instruction, a major substantive rule of the Department of Education. This resolve authorizes the following changes to the social studies and science and technology standards:

- 1. Reformats the social studies and science and technology standards to divide each content area into three stages of development: childhood, pre-adolescence and adolescence;
- 2. Amends the social studies standards to emphasize the guiding principles and their connections to essential skills and practices of social studies and include instruction in personal finance; and
- 3. Amends the science and technology standards to adopt the Next Generation Science Standards, which utilize a three-dimensional approach to science.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2019, chapter 12 authorized the final adoption of portions of Chapter 132: Learning Results: Parameters for Essential Instruction, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education.

Resolve 2019, chapter 12 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective April 19, 2019.

LD 296 An Act Regarding Student Privacy with Respect to Video Recordings

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
KORNFIELD V	ONTP	
MILLETT R		

This bill requires an elementary or secondary school to keep confidential a video recording in which a student is present, including a video recording taken in a bus or other means of student transportation used by the school, and prohibits the school from disseminating or publishing the video recording without the written permission of a parent of the student. See also LD 639 in the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary.

LD 307 An Act To Limit the Number of Charter Schools in Maine

PUBLIC 307

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
BRENNAN M	OTP-AM	H-365
VITELLLE	OTP-AM	

Under current law, the number of public charter schools approved by the Maine Charter School Commission that may operate at any time is capped at 10 until July 1, 2022. This bill makes that cap permanent.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-365)