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Bill Summaries

*Joint Standing Committee
on
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Summary of Legislation Considered by the Joint Standing Committees
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Enclosed please find a summary of all bills, resolves, joint study orders, joint resolutions and Constitutional resolutions that were considered by the joint standing select committees of the Maine Legislature this past session. The document is a compilation of bill summaries which describe each bill and relevant amendments, as well as the final action taken. Also included are statistical summaries of bill activity this session for the Legislature and each of its joint standing committees.

The document is organized for convenient reference to information on bills considered by the committees. It is organized by committees and within committees by bill (LD) number. The committee report(s), prime sponsor for each bill and the lead co-sponsor(s), if designated, are listed below each bill title. All adopted amendments are listed by paper number. A subject index for each committee is included immediately before the bill summaries for that committee, and a numerical index by LD number is included at the back of the document. A separate publication, History and Final Disposition of Legislative Documents, may also be helpful in providing information on the disposition of bills. These bill summaries also are available at the Law and Legislative Reference Library and on the Internet (www.state.me.us/legis/opla).

Final action on each bill is noted to the right of the bill title. The abbreviations used for various categories of final action are as follows:

- CARRIED OVER Bill Carried Over to Second Regular Session
CON RES XXX..... Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE..... Committee of Conference unable to agree; bill died
DIED BETWEEN BODIES..... House & Senate disagree; bill died
DIED IN CONCURRENCE..... One body accepts ONTP report; the other indefinitely postpones the bill
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT..... Action incomplete when session ended; bill died
EMERGENCY..... Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE..... Emergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL PASSAGE..... Bill failed to get majority vote
FAILED MANDATE ENACTMENT..... Bill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY..... Ruled out of order by the presiding officers; bill died
INDEF PP..... Bill Indefinitely Postponed
ONTP..... Ought Not To Pass report accepted
OTP ND..... Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft
OTP ND/NT..... Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft/New Title
P&S XXX..... Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law
PUBLIC XXX..... Chapter # of enacted Public Law
RESOLVE XXX..... Chapter # of finally passed Resolve
UNSIGNED..... Bill held by Governor
VETO SUSTAINED..... Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

Please note the effective date for all non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Regular Session (unless otherwise specified in a particular law) is June 29, 2005; and for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Special Session is September 17, 2005.

Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services

LD 52

**An Act To Authorize Certain Campers To Self-administer
Emergency Medication**

**PUBLIC 140
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> BARSTOW COWGER	<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM	<u>Amendments Adopted</u> H-237
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LD 52 proposed to require recreational camps for boys and girls to have policies authorizing certain campers to possess and self-administer emergency medication from an asthma inhaler or epinephrine pen.

Enacted law summary

Public Law 2005, chapter 140 requires recreational camps for boys and girls to have policies regarding emergency medications and requires that medication be readily available to the camper. The law requires the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt routine technical rules.

Public Law 2005, chapter 140 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 20, 2005.

LD 55

Resolve, To Review Rules for Organ and Tissue Donation

**RESOLVE 27
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> BARSTOW ROSEN R	<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM	<u>Amendments Adopted</u> H-238
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LD 55 proposed to establish procedures for the donation of all or part of a human body for medical and dental research purposes when the donation is made to a research facility not already covered by the provisions of the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act. The bill proposed to subject donations to a research facility to provisions of the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, using the definitions of that act and imposing additional requirements regarding training, documentation of the donation and recording of telephone conversations with family members of the donor.

Enacted law summary

Resolve 2005, chapter 27 requires the Department of Health and Human Services to review its rules for organ and tissue donation procurement and to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 31, 2006.

Resolve 2005, chapter 27 was passed as an emergency measure effective May 20, 2005.