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Summaries of bills and adopted amendments and laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular Session of the 123rd Maine Legislature coming from the

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST OF BILL SUMMARIES AND ENACTED LAWS



This *Legislative Digest of Bill Summaries and Enacted Laws* summarizes all bills and adopted amendments and all laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular Session of the 123rd Maine Legislature, which was in session from December 6, 2006 to June 21, 2007.

The *Digest* is arranged alphabetically by committee, and within each committee by LD number. The committee report(s), prime sponsor and lead co-sponsor(s), if designated, are listed below each bill title. All adopted amendments are summarized and listed by paper number. A subject index is included with each committee. The appendices include a summary of relevant session statistics, an index of all bills by LD number and an index of enacted laws by law type and chapter number.

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:

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 (or Accepted ONTP report).....	Ought Not To Pass report accepted
OTP-ND.....	Committee report Ought To Pass In New Draft
P&S XXX.....	Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law
PASSED.....	Joint Order passed in both bodies
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 that the effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Regular Session is **September 20, 2007**. The effective date for legislation enacted as an emergency measure is specified in the enacted law summary for those bills.

Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 44 approves major substantive rules on reimbursing ICF-MR's. It allows adoption of rules on an emergency basis.

Resolve 2007, chapter 44 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 30, 2007.

LD 38

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 250: Rules Relating to Smoking in the Workplace, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Partnership for a Tobacco-free Maine

**RESOLVE 4
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

PIEH

Committee Report

OTP

Amendments Adopted

This resolve provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 250: Rules Relating to Smoking in the Workplace, a major substantive rule of the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Partnership for a Tobacco-free Maine.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 4 approves major substantive rules on smoking in the workplace.

Resolve 2007, chapter 4 was enacted as an emergency measure effective March 22, 2007.

LD 39

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Regulations Governing the Licensing and Functioning of Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services

**RESOLVE 33
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

OTP

Amendments Adopted

This resolve provides for legislative review of portions of Regulations Governing the Licensing and Functioning of Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation, a major substantive rule of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2007, chapter 33 approves major substantive rules on licensing ICF-MR's.

Resolve 2007, chapter 33 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 22, 2007.

LD 40

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 100: Enforcement Procedures, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization

**RESOLVE 17
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

OTP

Amendments Adopted