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STATE OF MAINE

124TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION



Summaries of bills, adopted amendments and laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular Session of the 124th Maine Legislature coming from the

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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 124th Maine Legislature.

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:

CARRIED OVER	Carried over to a subsequent session of the Legislature
	# 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
	Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days
	AGE 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; bill died
ONTP (or Accepted ONTP report)	Ought Not To Pass report accepted; bill died
P&S XXX	
PUBLIC XXX	
	Chapter # of finally passed Resolve
UNSIGNED	Bill held by Governor
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

The effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Regular Session of the 124th Legislature is September 12, 2009. The effective date for legislation enacted as an emergency measure is specified in the enacted law summary for those bills.

Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development

Committee Amendment "A" (H-272)

This amendment clarifies the definition of "practice of denturism" to include the fitting of a denture to an edentulous or partially edentulous arch or arches, including the making, producing, reproducing, constructing, finishing, supplying, altering and repairing of dentures, without performing alteration to natural or reconstructed tooth structure. It allows a denturist, upon the receipt of a written statement of oral condition by a licensed dentist, to complete clinical procedures related to the fabrication of a removable tooth-borne partial denture, including cast frameworks. It also amends the requirements for licensure as a denturist to require that, beginning October 1, 2009, in addition to the examination, all applicants must be graduates of a board-approved denturism postsecondary institution. Denturists licensed in this State prior to October 1, 2009 that do not have a diploma from a board-approved denturism postsecondary institution are required to successfully complete an upgraded curriculum approved by the board within 2 years before a license may be issued or renewed.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2009, chapter 227 clarifies the definition of "practice of denturism" to include the fitting of a denture to an edentulous or partially edentulous arch or arches, including the making, producing, reproducing, constructing, finishing, supplying, altering and repairing of dentures, without performing alteration to natural or reconstructed tooth structure. It allows a denturist, upon the receipt of a written statement of oral condition by a licensed dentist, to complete clinical procedures related to the fabrication of a removable tooth-borne partial denture, including cast frameworks.

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LD 718 An Act Concerning Cremated Remains

PUBLIC 39

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
PRATT	OTP	

This bill decreases the time that a funeral director must keep cremated remains from 4 years to one year. The bill also replaces the word "cremains" with "cremated remains."

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2009, chapter 39 decreases the time that a funeral director must keep cremated remains from 4 years to one year. The law also replaces the word "cremains" with "cremated remains."

LD 731 An Act To Designate Cumberland County as a Pine Tree Development Zone

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
BARTLETT	ONTP	