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STATE OF MAINE

124th Legislature Second Regular Session



Summaries of bills, adopted amendments and laws enacted or finally passed during the Second 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 Second 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	
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGR	EECommittee of Conference unable to agree; bill died
DIED BETWEEN HOUSES	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
	MENT/FINAL PASSAGEEmergency bill failed to get 2/3 vote
FAILED ENACTMENT/FINAL P	ASSAGEBill failed to get majority vote
FAILED MANDATE ENACTME	NTBill imposing local mandate failed to get 2/3 vote
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE	BODYRuled out of order by the presiding officers; bill died
INDEF PP	Bill Indefinitely Postponed; bill died
ONTP (or Accepted ONTP repor	t)Ought Not To Pass report accepted; bill died
P&S XXX	
PUBLIC XXX	
RESOLVE XXX	
UNSIGNED	Bill held by Governor
VETO SUSTAINED	Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto

The effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the Second Regular Session of the 124th Legislature is Monday, July 12, 2010. The effective date for legislation enacted as an emergency measure is specified in the enacted law summary for those bills.

Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

LD 1320 An Act To Ensure the Availability of Alcohol-free Motor Fuels

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
MARRACHE	ONTP	

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session of the 124th Legislature by the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development and re-referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation during the Second Regular Session. This bill requires a retail dealer of gasoline and a distributor of gasoline to offer for sale or use nonethanol-blended unleaded premium grade gasoline.

LD 1501

An Act To Dedicate Surplus Transportation Funds to Highway Maintenance and Paving

ACCEPTED ONTP REPORT

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
COURTNEY	ONTP MAJ OTP-AM MIN	

This bill requires the transfer of the uncommitted balance in the Highway Fund unallocated surplus account to the Department of Transportation Highway and Bridge Light Capital program for maintenance paving. The amount transferred to this program, when added to previous allocations to the program for the fiscal year, may not exceed an amount necessary to perform maintenance paving at a rate of 600 miles per year as calculated by the Department of Transportation and reported to the State Controller. Any remaining uncommitted balance must be transferred to the Department of Transportation Highway and Bridge Capital and Maintenance and Operations programs for capital needs.

This bill also includes a one-time Highway Fund deallocation of \$142,259 to the Department of Transportation Highway and Bridge Capital program and a corresponding one-time Highway Fund allocation to the Department of Transportation Highway and Bridge Light Capital program, to transfer the adjustment to allocation resulting from the uncommitted balance in the Highway Fund unallocated surplus account at the end of fiscal year 2008-09.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-361)

This amendment, which is the minority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation, incorporates a fiscal note.

LD 1502 Resolve, To Name Route 16/27 in the Town of Stratton the Caleb Dalton Stevens Memorial Highway

RESOLVE 145

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
GOOLEY	OTP	