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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:

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

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 Business, Research and Economic Development

This bill protects the confidentiality of personal information relating to clients, customers or others with whom a tenant does business kept in self-service storage facilities if the tenant defaults on rental payments by requiring that the tenant notify the facility operator when the tenant intends to store such information, prohibiting the sale at auction of such information if the facility operator knows of its existence and requiring a purchaser of the contents of a unit to return any personal information.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-389)

This amendment strikes language in the bill regarding requirements for a self-service storage rental agreement. It also adds medical information to the definition of "personal information" and makes other technical corrections to the bill.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2009, chapter 525 protects the confidentiality of personal information relating to clients, customers or others with whom a tenant does business kept in self-service storage facilities if the tenant defaults on rental payments by requiring that the tenant notify the facility operator when the tenant intends to store such information, prohibiting the sale at auction of such information if the facility operator knows of its existence and requiring a purchaser of the contents of a unit to return any personal information.

LD 1505

Resolve, To Ensure Consistency in the Scheduled Expiration of Terms of the Board Members of the Finance Authority of Maine

**RESOLVE 162
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WRIGHT SCHNEIDER	OTP-AM	H-657

This resolve amends the terms of membership of 3 members of the board of directors of the Finance Authority of Maine in order to ensure that the terms of the board members remain staggered in accordance with laws governing those terms.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-657)

This amendment, like the resolve, amends the terms of membership of 3 members of the board of directors of the Finance Authority of Maine to ensure that the terms of the board members remain staggered. However, the amendment changes one of the board members, pushes back the terms affected and clarifies that members serve 4-year terms after the changed terms have expired.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2009, chapter 162 amends the terms of membership of 3 members of the board of directors of the Finance Authority of Maine to ensure that the terms of the board members remain staggered. It pushes back the terms affected and clarifies that members serve 4-year terms after the changed terms have expired.

Resolve 2009, chapter 162 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective March 17, 2010.