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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

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON UTILITIES AND ENERGY

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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	Carried over to a subsequent session of the Legislature	
	hapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses	
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE		
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	
	PASSAGEEmergency 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		
RESOLVE 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 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 Utilities and Energy

RESOLVE 196 EMERGENCY

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted

Resolve, Regarding Emergency Communications Services

This resolve is reported by the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy pursuant to Public Law 2009, chapter 219. This resolve:

- 1. Establishes a legislative finding that the recommendations contained in the January 2010 Report for Optimum PSAP Reconfiguration Assessment, known as "the Kimball report," are reasonable and that a plan for implementing those recommendations should be developed;
- 2. Directs the Public Utilities Commission, Emergency Services Communication Bureau to establish a plan for achieving the 15 to 17 public safety answering point configuration proposed in the Kimball report and directs the bureau to examine the various issues raised in the Kimball report as it develops the plan; and
- 3. Directs the Public Utilities Commission, Emergency Service Communication Bureau to submit its plan, together with any recommendations relating to the plan, including draft legislation to implement any recommendations for changes to law, to the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy by November 1, 2010.

Enacted Law Summary

LD 1828

Resolve 2009, chapter 196:

- 1. Establishes a legislative finding that the recommendations contained in the January 2010 Report for Optimum PSAP Reconfiguration Assessment, known as "the Kimball report," are reasonable and that a plan for implementing those recommendations should be developed;
- 2. Directs the Public Utilities Commission, Emergency Services Communication Bureau to establish a plan for achieving the 15 to 17 public safety answering point configuration proposed in the Kimball report and directs the bureau to examine the various issues raised in the Kimball report as it develops the plan; and
- 3. Directs the Public Utilities Commission, Emergency Service Communication Bureau to submit its plan, together with any recommendations relating to the plan, including draft legislation to implement any recommendations for changes to law, to the Joint Standing Committee on Utilities and Energy by November 1, 2010.

Resolve 2009, chapter 196 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective April 1, 2010.