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Summaries of bills, adopted amendments and laws enacted or finally passed

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST OF BILL SUMMARIES AND
ENACTED LAWS

This *Legislative Digest of Bill Summaries and Enacted Laws* summarizes all LDs and adopted amendments and all laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular Session of the 125th Maine Legislature.

The *Digest* is arranged alphabetically by committee and within each committee by Legislative Document (LD) number. The committee report(s), prime sponsor and lead co-sponsor(s), if designated, are listed below each LD 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 LD is noted to the right of the LD title. The following describes the various final actions.

CARRIED OVER carried over to a subsequent session of the Legislature
CON RES XXX..... chapter # of constitutional resolution passed by both houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE..... Committee of Conference unable to agree; legislation died
DIED BETWEEN HOUSES..... House & Senate disagreed; legislation died
DIED IN CONCURRENCE..... defeated in each house, but on different motions; legislation died
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT..... action incomplete when session ended; legislation died
EMERGENCY..... enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days after session adjournment
FAILED, EMERGENCY ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGE emergency failed to receive required 2/3 vote
FAILED, ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGE..... failed to receive final majority vote
FAILED, MANDATE ENACTMENT legislation proposing local mandate failed required 2/3 vote
HELD BY GOVERNOR..... Governor has not signed; final disposition to be determined at subsequent session
LEAVE TO WITHDRAW..... sponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODY ruled out of order by the presiding officer; legislation died
INDEF PP..... indefinitely postponed; legislation died
ONTP, ACCEPTED, MAJORITY, MINORITY or REPORT X... ought-not-to-pass report accepted; legislation died
P&S XXX..... chapter # of enacted private & special law
PUBLIC XXX..... chapter # of enacted public Law
RESOLVE XXX..... chapter # of finally passed resolve
VETO SUSTAINED..... Legislature failed to override Governor's veto

The effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Regular Session of the 125th Legislature is September 28, 2011. The effective date for legislation enacted as an emergency measure may be found in the enacted law summary for that legislation.

Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

County.

LD 352

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Criminal History Record Information

**PUBLIC 52
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HASKELL KATZ	OTP-AM	H-74

This bill adds the Department of Health and Human Services, division of licensing and regulatory services to the list of exceptions regarding limitations on the dissemination of intelligence and investigative information prepared by, prepared at the direction of or kept in the custody of state entities, including local, county and state law enforcement agencies. Intelligence and investigative information is information collected by criminal justice agencies or at the direction of criminal justice agencies in an effort to anticipate, prevent or monitor possible criminal activity, including operation plans of the collecting agency or another agency, or information compiled in the course of investigation of known or suspected crimes, civil violations and prospective and pending civil actions; intelligence and investigative information does not include information that is criminal history record information. (See Title 16 §614, sub-§3 for list of other entities excepted from the prohibition of distribution of intelligence and investigative information.)

The bill allows the Department of Health and Human Services, division of licensing and regulatory services, to access reports and records, including police reports, which may relate to enforcement of the department's licensing laws and rules. This bill has an effective date of July 1, 2011.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-74)

This amendment narrows the scope of the bill to allow the division of licensing and regulatory services within the Department of Health and Human Services to have access to intelligence and investigative information for use only in the investigation of suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation in licensed, certified and registered facilities and programs that provide care to children and adults.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2011, chapter 52 allows the division of licensing and regulatory services within the Department of Health and Human Services to have access to intelligence and investigative information for use only in the investigation of suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation in licensed, certified and registered facilities and programs that provide care to children and adults.

Public Law 2011, chapter 52 was enacted as an emergency measure effective July 1, 2011.

LD 377

An Act To Ensure That a Licensee Is Notified of a Driver's License Suspension

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CHIPMAN MASON	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. This bill proposes to amend the current law to establish a procedure by which the Secretary of State must confirm the receipt by the licensee of a notice of suspension of a driver's license before the suspension goes into effect.