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125th Legislature First Regular Session



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	
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
EMERGENCYenac	cted law takes effect sooner than 90 days after session adjournment
FAILED, EMERGENCY ENACTMENT or FINA	AL 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 GOVERNORGovernor has r	not signed; final disposition to be determined at subsequent session
LEAVE TO WITHDRAW	sponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted
	ruled out of order by the presiding officer; legislation died
INDEF PP	indefinitely postponed; legislation died
	r REPORT X ought-not-to-pass report accepted; legislation died
P&S XXX	chapter # of enacted private & special law
	chapter # of enacted public Law
RESOLVE XXX	chapter # of finally passed resolve
	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 Health and Human Services

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2011, chapter 144 amends the Radon Registration Act by updating the lead agency name, clarifying who the act applies to and making new construction comply with the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code.

LD 636 An Act To Ensure Proper Health Information Management

MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
CROCKETT	ONTP MAJ OTP MIN	

This bill requires a hospital, beginning January 1, 2012, to employ a certified director of health information management.

LD 646 An Act To Ensure the Safety of Children in the MaineCare Program Who Are Prescribed Antipsychotic Medications

Carried Over

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
WELSH		
CRAVEN		

This bill provides specific requirements for the provision of antipsychotic medications to children in the MaineCare program. It provides for uses approved and for uses not approved by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration. It provides for documentation in the child's health care record and for monitoring for effectiveness and side effects. It directs the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt routine technical rules to implement the new requirements.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-408)

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve establishing a committee to consider the current case management and coordination of care for children who are prescribed antipsychotic medications and to make recommendations for improvement in the care of such children. The Department of Health and Human Services is required to report the committee's findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services not later than January 15, 2012.

This bill was carried over to any special and/or regular session of the 125th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1190.

LD 654 An Act To Amend the Occupational Disease Reporting Laws

PUBLIC 337

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
SANBORN	OTP	
BRANNIGAN		