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125ᵀᴴ LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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 Second 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 Second Regular Session of the 125ᵗʰ Legislature is Thursday, August 30, 2012. The effective date for legislation enacted as an emergency measure may be found in the enacted law summary for that legislation.

LD 1728   **An Act To Strengthen the Integrity of Nonresident Concealed Handgun Permits**

<div align="right">MAJORITY
(ONTP) REPORT</div>

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

This bill prohibits authorities that issue permits to carry concealed handguns from issuing such a permit to an applicant for a Maine nonresident permit who lives in a state that also issues concealed handgun permits and whose laws on such permits are substantially equivalent to or less restrictive than Maine law if the applicant applied for and was denied a concealed handgun permit by the applicant's state of residence.

LD 1731   **An Act To Combat Human Sex Trafficking**

<div align="right">PUBLIC 672</div>

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
DIAMOND	OTP-AM MAJ OTP-AM MIN	S-502 S-601 ROSEN R

This bill creates the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act of 2012, which is applicable to persons sentenced on or after September 1, 2012. The Act maintains registration and notification provisions but adds to these processes a tiering system and the development and application of risk assessment.

Offenders are classified by offense as Tier I, Tier II or Tier III offenders and must register for 10 years, for 25 years or for life, respectively.

The bill adopts the same penalties for failure to comply with requirements of registration and adopts the same notification process as exists in the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act of 1999.

Part B eliminates the computer crimes unit program in the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police and instead establishes the Maine Computer Crimes Unit within the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police. The new Maine Computer Crimes Unit is given all the investigative and enforcement powers of the Bureau of State Police and is required to report annually to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters
.
Part C increases by one class of crime, for all those offenses that are not currently Class A crimes, the penalty for the crimes of sexual exploitation of a minor, dissemination of sexually explicit material and possession of sexually explicit material.

Part D requires the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police, State Bureau of Identification to include on the sex offender registry website a description of the sexual assaults that are prohibited by the Maine Criminal Code and the punishment for those crimes.

Part E amends the crime of aggravated promotion of prostitution to provide other examples of behavior engaged in or actions taken, such as confiscating a person's passport or threatening to have a person deported, for the purpose of