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**STATE OF MAINE**  
126<sup>TH</sup> 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* contains summaries of all LDs and adopted amendments and all laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular Session of the 126<sup>th</sup> 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 126<sup>th</sup> Legislature is October 9, 2013. 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*

**LD 802      An Act To Encourage Alternative Forms of Treatment for Opiate or  
Opioid Addiction by Prohibiting MaineCare Coverage for  
Medication-assisted Treatment for Addiction**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LOCKMAN THOMAS	ONTP OTP-AM	

Current law limits to 24 months MaineCare coverage or reimbursement for buprenorphine and naloxone combination drugs, also known as Suboxone, and for methadone for the treatment of addiction to opioids.

This bill, beginning January 1, 2015, prohibits all MaineCare coverage or reimbursement for Suboxone and methadone for treatment of addiction to opioids.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-237)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**LD 803      Resolve, Requiring the Department of Health and Human Services To  
Amend the Rules Regarding Child Care Facilities and Family Child  
Care Providers**

**RESOLVE 60**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MOONEN ALFOND	OTP-AM	H-268

This bill allows a parent or guardian to request that a child care facility use cloth diapers for the parent's or guardian's child if allowed by the child care facility.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-268)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules by February 1, 2014 to allow both licensed child care facilities and certified family child care providers to use cloth diapers for any child. The rules must require the parent or guardian to provide clean diapers for the child, and a licensed child care facility or certified family child care provider that uses a cloth diaper upon the request of a parent or guardian is required to comply with diapering guidelines available from the department's Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 60 requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules by February 1, 2014 to allow both licensed child care facilities and certified family child care providers to use cloth diapers for any child. The rules must require the parent or guardian to provide clean diapers for the child, and a licensed child care facility or certified family child care provider that uses a cloth diaper upon the request of a parent or guardian is required to comply with diapering guidelines available from the department's Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services.