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126<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE  
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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* 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**

person a reasonable opportunity for a fair hearing and final determination of child care program eligibility.

**LD 829**      **Resolve, To Continue the Redesign of Shared Living Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism**      **RESOLVE 57 EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
STUCKEY	OTP-AM	H-269

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to continue to work on the redesign of its shared living program and to complete the redesign by June 30, 2013.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-269)**

This amendment requires the Department of Health and Human Services to continue to work on the redesign of its shared living program and removes from the bill the due date for completion. The amendment requires the department to submit a progress report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2014.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 57 requires the Department of Health and Human Services to continue to work on the redesign of its shared living program and removes from the bill the due date for completion. The law requires the department to submit a progress report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2014.

Resolve 2013, chapter 57 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective June 19, 2013.

**LD 846**      **An Act To Improve and Modernize the Authority of Local Health Officers**      **ONTP**

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

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. This bill proposes to:

1. Direct the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to update its manual for local health officers to reflect changes in the health inspection rules adopted by the center, provide annual training for local health officers and communicate regularly with local health officers;
2. Repeal the prohibition on local health officers' entering licensed establishments for purposes of inspection;
3. Simplify and modernize the training required for certain municipalities to select a local health officer; and
4. Repeal the requirement that a municipality appoint a local health officer.

**LD 847**      **Resolve, To Address Changes Needed for Providers of Private Nonmedical Institution Services**      **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FARNSWORTH LACHOWICZ	ONTP	