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SECOND REGULAR SESSION



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

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FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST OF BILL SUMMARIES AND
ENACTED LAWS

The *Digest* is arranged 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.

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 HOUSESHouse & 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
EMERGENCYenacted 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 126th Legislature is August 1, 2014. 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 Appropriations and Financial Affairs

LD 939 **An Act To Restore Maine's Groundfishing Industry** **ONTP**

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

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

This bill includes ongoing General Fund appropriations of \$3,500,000 annually to the Department of Marine Resources beginning in fiscal year 2013-14 for the purchase of federal groundfishing permits.

LD 940 **An Act To Reestablish State-municipal Revenue-sharing as a Compact between the State and Municipal Governments** **ONTP**

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

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

Beginning July 1, 2015, this bill restructures two funds that are the depositories of state-municipal revenue-sharing resources prior to distribution to municipalities and renames the funds as irrevocable trust funds.

LD 942 **An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Deficient State Highways, Bridges and Aviation, Marine, Rail and Transit Facilities** **ONTP**

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

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

The funds provided by this bond issue in the amount of \$120,000,000 will be used for improvements to highways and bridges and rail, aviation, pedestrian and bicycle and marine facilities and to replace transit buses. Highway and bridge investments will be in high-priority roads that are rated in poor or unacceptable condition. Funding is also provided to repair state aid minor collector highways in partnership with municipalities under the Secondary Road Program Fund. Bond funds will match federal, local and private funds providing a total match of at least \$173,000,000.

LD 951 **An Act To Repeal the 2-year Limit on Methadone and Suboxone Treatments under MaineCare** **ONTP**

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