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STATE OF MAINE
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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST OF BILL
SUMMARIES AND ENACTED LAWS**



Summaries of All Bills and Adopted Amendments and All Laws Enacted or Finally
Passed During the First Special Session of the 126th Maine Legislature

First Special Session convened Thursday, August 29, 2013
First Special Session adjourned sine die Thursday, August 29, 2013

Legislative Days 1
Bills Considered 6

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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 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

Legislation enacted in the First Special Session of the 126th Legislature was either an emergency measure or a General Fund bond proposal subject to voter approval.

Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

of Maine System.

This bond issue was approved by the voters in the statewide election held in November 2013.

LD 1095

An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Improve Highways, Bridges and Multimodal Facilities

PUBLIC 429

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FLOOD THERIAULT	OTP-AM	S-373

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

The bill authorizes a bond issue in the amount of \$100,000,000 to be used for reconstruction and rehabilitation of highways and bridges and for facilities or equipment related to ports, harbors, marine transportation, freight and passenger railroads, aviation and transit, matching an estimated \$154,000,000 in federal and other funds.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-373)

This amendment provides for a bond issue in the amount of \$100,000,000 to be used for transportation projects, such as for the reconstruction and rehabilitation of highways and bridges and for facilities or equipment related to ports, harbors, marine transportation, freight and passenger railroads, aviation and transit, matching an estimated \$154,000,000 in federal and other funds.

This amendment decreases the amount of the bonds provided for in the bill for highway and bridge projects but maintains the total bonding of \$100,000,000 by increasing the bond amounts for intermodal improvements.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2013, chapter 429 authorizes a bond issue in the amount of \$100,000,000 to be used for transportation projects, such as the reconstruction and rehabilitation of highways and bridges and for facilities or equipment related to ports, harbors, marine transportation, freight and passenger railroads, aviation and transit, matching an estimated \$154,000,000 in federal and other funds.

This bond issue was approved by the voters in the statewide election held in November 2013.

LD 1515

An Act To Increase the Availability of Mental Health Services

**PUBLIC 434
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MALABY	OTP-AM	H-585

In the First Regular Session of the 126th Legislature, this bill was referred to and reported out of the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety, then removed from the Special Appropriations Table and committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to the next Special or Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

This bill authorizes the Commissioner of Corrections to:

1. Under certain circumstances, transfer an adult jail inmate to a correctional facility for the purpose of providing the inmate with mental health services;