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126TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND 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

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 State and Local Government

4. Changes the requirement that a municipality develop lists of all town ways that have been discontinued or abandoned since 1965 if known to a requirement that a municipality develop those lists if the information can be provided without research.

LD 1254

An Act To Increase Consumption of Maine Foods in All State Institutions

Veto Sustained

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HICKMAN	OTP-AM	H-510
LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM	S-355 HILL

This bill was enacted by the Legislature during the First Regular Session of the 126th and was held by the Governor; final disposition occurred at the beginning of the Second Regular Session.

Current law requires state and school purchasers to buy meat, fish, dairy products, excluding milk and eggs, and species of fruits and fresh vegetables directly from Maine food producers or from food brokers. This bill establishes a minimum percentage of Maine foodstuffs that must be purchased, requiring at least 15% for the ten years beginning January 1, 2014, at least 25% for the next ten years and at least 35% beginning in 2034.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-510)

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and changes the implementation dates and minimum percentages regarding Maine foodstuffs that state and school purchasers must purchase directly from Maine food producers or food brokers. It changes the implementation schedule for Maine foodstuffs from at least 15% for the ten years beginning January 1, 2014, at least 25% for the next ten years and at least 35% beginning in 2034, to at least 15% by December 31, 2020, 20% by December 31, 2024, 25% by December 31, 2034 and 35% by December 31, 2035.

The amendment exempts from the requirements school purchasers at schools participating in the National School Lunch Program.

Committee Amendment "B" (H-511)

This amendment is the minority report of the committee and changes the implementation dates and minimum percentages regarding Maine foodstuffs that state and school purchasers must purchase directly from Maine food producers or food brokers. It changes the implementation schedule for Maine foodstuffs from at least 15% for the ten years beginning January 1, 2014, at least 25% for the next ten years and at least 35% beginning in 2034 to at least 15% by December 31, 2020, 20% by December 31, 2024, 25% by December 31, 2034, and 35% by December 31, 2035.

The amendment also removes from current law the exclusion of milk and eggs from foodstuffs that must be purchased by a state or school purchaser and the exclusion of milk and eggs from products for which quality standards must be established.

The amendment exempts from the requirements school purchasers at schools participating in the National School Lunch Program.

Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-355)

This amendment adds a mandate preamble.