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Summaries of bills, 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 126th 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 126th 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 Judiciary

Part F, added by House Amendment "D" to Committee Amendment "A," adds a section that changes a reference to a chapter to a reference to a subchapter to correct an apparent clerical error concerning membership camping.

Part G, added by House Amendment "E" to Committee Amendment "A," repeals a word in the law on medical use of marijuana that was erroneously included in the enacted law. Section G-1 deletes the word "medical" from the phrase "emergency medical services personnel" to achieve the intended result of access to legitimate marijuana cultivation sites for all emergency services personnel.

Part H, added by House Amendment "F" to Committee Amendment "A," establishes an effective date of July 1, 2013 for Public Law 2013, chapter 368, Pt. EE, which increases assessments for the Victims' Compensation Fund.

Part I, added by House Amendment "H" to Committee Amendment "A," corrects a reporting date for the Education Coordinating Committee in Public Law 2013, chapter 368.

Part J, added by House Amendment "I" to Committee Amendment "A," corrects a conflict created when Public Law 2013, chapters 337 and 356 amended the law concerning the review of requests for students to transfer from one school administrative district to another.

Part K, added by House Amendment "G" to Committee Amendment "A," corrects a reference in the list of divisions and programs within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Bureau of Resource Information and Land Use Planning to the Land for Maine's Future Program.

Public Law 2013, chapter 424, was enacted as an emergency measure effective July 16, 2013.

LD 1564

**Resolve, Approving the 2013 Draft and Arrangement of the
Constitution of Maine Made by the Chief Justice of the Supreme
Judicial Court and Providing for Its Publication and Distribution**

**RESOLVE 75
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

This resolve was acted upon without reference to committee.

Passage of this resolve by the Legislature constitutes approval of the Constitution of Maine as arranged by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article X, Section 6. The text of the Constitution of Maine as recodified by the Chief Justice is appended to the resolve as Appendix "A."

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2013, chapter 75 provides the Legislature's approval of the 2013 draft and arrangement of the Constitution of Maine by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article X, Section 6.

Resolve 2013, chapter 75 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective June 18, 2013 and deposited in the Office of the Secretary of State pursuant to the Constitution of Maine, Article X, Section 6. (Governor's signature not required.)