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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 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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

prohibits the use of a pesticide in the cultivation of medical marijuana unless the pesticide is exempt from federal registration requirements and is registered with the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control. The amendment requires that at least one applicator of an authorized pesticide must be certified by the board and all other employees of a registered dispensary or a registered primary caregiver who have direct contact with treated plants or who are involved in the handling of the pesticide must first complete the federal training requirements for agricultural workers or pesticide handlers.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2013, chapter 371 prohibits the use of a pesticide in the cultivation of medical marijuana unless the pesticide is exempt from federal registration requirements and is registered with the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control. Public Law 2013, chapter 371 requires that at least one applicator of an authorized pesticide must be certified by the board and all other employees of a registered dispensary or a registered primary caregiver who have direct contact with treated plants or who are involved in the handling of the pesticide must first complete the federal training requirements for agricultural workers or pesticide handlers.

Public Law 2013, chapter 371 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 27, 2013.

**LD 1567 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 22:
Standards for Outdoor Application of Pesticides by Powered Equipment
in Order To Minimize Off-Target Deposition, a Late-filed Major
Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and
Forestry** **CARRIED OVER**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

This resolve provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 22: Standards for Outdoor Application of Pesticides by Powered Equipment in Order to Minimize Off-Target Deposition, a major substantive rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry that was filed outside the legislative rule acceptance period.

This resolve was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1568 Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 20:
Special Provisions, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the
Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry** **CARRIED OVER**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

This resolve provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 20: Special Provisions, a major substantive rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry that was filed outside the legislative rule acceptance period.

This resolve was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).