

# STATE OF MAINE $126^{TH}$ Legislature Second Regular Session



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

### JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

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#### 126th Legislature SECOND REGULAR SESSION 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. |
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| CARRIED OVERcarried 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   |
| 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 PASSAGEemergency failed to receive required 2/3 vote                         |
| FAILED, ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGE failed to receive final majority vote  |
| FAILED, MANDATE ENACTMENTlegislation proposing local mandate failed required 2/3 vote                             |
| HELD BY GOVERNOR  |
| LEAVE TO WITHDRAWsponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted  |
| NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODYruled 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                |
| <i>P&amp;S XXX chapter # of enacted private &amp; special law</i>   |
| PUBLIC XXX chapter # of enacted public Law  |
| RESOLVE XXX chapter # of finally passed resolve   |
| VETO SUSTAINEDLegislature failed to override Governor's veto  |

The effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the Second Regular Session of the 126<sup>th</sup> 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 Transportation

8. It corrects an inconsistency in the laws governing the number of practice hours a person under 21 years of age must complete before applying for a driver's license.

9. It provides that the laws governing abandoned vehicles apply to vehicles left at a storage facility.

10. It allows for a person to be scheduled for the required road test after that person's juvenile provisional license is restored after a suspension instead of making it a requirement of restoration. All other restoration requirements must be met, and if the examination is not successfully completed within 90 days after restoration, an additional suspension for noncompliance will be imposed.

#### LD 1692 An Act To Ensure That Local Businesses Are Notified of Construction ONTP Projects

| Sponsor(s) | Committee Report | Amendments Adopted |
|------------|------------------|--------------------|
| WERTS      | ONTP             |                    |
| CRAVEN     |                  |                    |

This bill requires the Department of Transportation, municipalities, or quasi-municipal corporations or districts to notify businesses with on-site customers that are located in the vicinity of a construction project, in order for the business to be able to prepare customers for potential traffic disruptions. Notification is required to be via letter, telephone, e-mail or in person. In addition, the bill requires that the business is afforded the opportunity to identify and comment on concerns during the planning phase of the project.

## LD 1708An Act To Make Allocations from Maine Turnpike Authority Funds forP & S 22the Maine Turnpike Authority for the Calendar Year Ending December31, 2015

| Sponsor(s) | Committee Report | Amendments Adopted |
|------------|------------------|--------------------|
|            | OTP-AM           | S-410              |

This bill makes allocations from gross revenues of the Maine Turnpike Authority for the payment of the authority's operating expenses for the calendar year ending December 31, 2015 in accordance with the requirements of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 1961, subsection 6.

#### Committee Amendment "A" (S-410)

This amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

#### **Enacted Law Summary**

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 22 makes allocations from gross revenues of the Maine Turnpike Authority for the payment of the authority's operating expenses for the calendar year ending December 31, 2015 in accordance with the requirements of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 1961, subsection 6.

## LD 1721An Act To Make Changes to and Clarify Maine Traveler InformationPUBLIC 529Services LawsPUBLIC 529

| Sponsor(s)           | Committee Report | Amendments Adopted |
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| THERIAULT<br>COLLINS | OTP-AM           | H-716              |