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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.

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This bill amends the territory of the Bayville Village Corporation.

Enacted Law Summary

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 19 amends the territory of the Bayville Village Corporation.

LD 1753 An Act To Redistrict the Knox County Budget Committee Districts

**PUBLIC 481
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

OTP-AM

H-636

This bill implements the redistricting plan for the Knox County budget committee districts as adopted by the Knox County Commissioners.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-636)

This amendment changes the date by which the Knox County Commissioners must prepare a ten-year redistricting plan for county budget committee seats from June 1, 1993 to June 1, 2021 to align it with the date the plan for reapportionment of county commissioner districts is submitted.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2013, chapter 481 implements the redistricting plan for the Knox County budget committee districts as adopted by the Knox County Commissioners. It also changes the date by which the Knox County Commissioners must prepare a ten-year redistricting plan for county budget committee seats from June 1, 1993 to June 1, 2021 to align it with the date the plan for reapportionment of county commissioner districts is submitted.

Public Law 2013, chapter 481 was enacted as an emergency measure effective March 16, 2014.

LD 1800 An Act To Update Statutory Dates for the State Government Evaluation Act Review of Agencies

PUBLIC 505

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

OTP-AM

H-681

This bill updates statutory dates for the State Government Evaluation Act review of agencies under the jurisdiction of joint standing committees pursuant to Public Law 2013, chapter 307, section 9. It also updates the date by which the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government matters must review the provisions and effects of the State Government Evaluation Act.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-681)

This amendment clarifies that the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and local government matters must review State Government Evaluation Act provisions and effects by June 30, 2022, and at least once every ten years after that date, instead of by June 30, 2012, and at least once every ten years after June 30, 2012.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2013, chapter 505 updates statutory dates in statute for the State Government Evaluation Act review of agencies under the jurisdiction of joint standing committees pursuant to Public Law 2013, chapter 307, section 9. It also updates the date by which the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over state and

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local government matters must review the provisions and effects of the State Government Evaluation Act.

LD 1801 An Act To Eliminate Inactive Boards and Commissions

PUBLIC 533

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

OTP-AM

H-742

This bill is reported out by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Title 5, section 12006, subsection 2. As authorized by the law, and based on the Secretary of State's submission of boards and commissions to eliminate, the bill eliminates boards and commissions that have not reported on their activities to the Secretary of State for the last two calendar years or have been inactive during the preceding 24 months.

This bill eliminates boards and commissions that have failed to file an annual report as required by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12005-A for both 2012 and 2013 and those that have reported inactivity during 2012 and 2013.

1. The board eliminated for failing to file an annual report is:
 - A. The Advisory Board of the Maine Learning Technology Fund.
2. The boards and commissions eliminated for inactivity are:
 - A. The ATV Trail Advisory Council;
 - B. The Blaine House Commission;
 - C. The Legislative Youth Advisory Council;
 - D. The Maine Wild Mushroom Harvesting Advisory Committee;
 - E. The State Court Library Committee; and
 - F. The State Sentencing and Corrections Practices Coordinating Council.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-742)

This amendment removes the following boards and commissions from elimination for inactivity during 2012 and 2013:

1. The ATV Trail Advisory Council;
2. The Blaine House Commission; and
3. The Legislative Youth Advisory Council.

The amendment also adds the Blaine House Commission to the list of boards and commissions that are excluded from the Secretary of State's report for legislative repeal of boards and commissions that have not reported on their activities for the prior two calendar years or have been inactive for the 24 months preceding the report.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2013, chapter 533 eliminates boards and commissions that have failed to file an annual report as