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**STATE OF MAINE**  
127<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE  
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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 Second Regular Session of the 127<sup>th</sup> 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. An appendix provides a summary of relevant session statistics.

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 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 127<sup>th</sup> Legislature is July 29, 2016. 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 Education and Cultural Affairs*

**LD 356**      **An Act To Permit the New England School of Dental Technology To Grant the Degree of Bachelor of Science**      **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW M	ONTP	

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.

The bill authorizes the New England School of Dental Technology to grant the degree of Bachelor of Science beginning December 1, 2015.

**LD 419**      **An Act To Establish the Summer Success Program Fund**      **Veto Sustained**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PIERCE T	OTP-AM ONTP	H-450 S-491    HAMPER J

This bill was reported out of committee in the prior session and then carried over on the Special Appropriations Table.

The bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. The bill proposes to amend the current law to promote the establishment and expansion of summer school programs for elementary and secondary school students. The bill proposes that:

1. Elementary and secondary schools be provided with additional resources and incentives to establish or expand summer school programs that enhance the academic opportunities for Maine students;
2. The Department of Education provide elementary and secondary schools with examples of effective models of summer school programs that improve student performance, including model programs that involve school networking and partnerships with community-based organizations such as the Maine Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs that provide summer activities to align and leverage existing resources, improve program quality and develop shared outcomes for student success; and
3. The current provisions in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A related to funding summer school programs be amended to provide additional funds for the establishment and expansion of summer school programs for elementary and secondary school students. The amendments to the current law may include, but are not limited to:
  - A. Providing an adjustment of the state share of the total allocation to qualifying school administrative units for the costs of establishing or expanding summer school programs for elementary and secondary school students; or
  - B. Providing qualifying school administrative units with the allocation of state grants to be awarded on an annual basis by the Department of Education for the establishment and expansion of summer school programs for elementary and secondary school students.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-450)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the concept draft to establish the Summer Success Program Fund, a dedicated fund to be directed and administered by the Commissioner of Education and