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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 128th 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 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 128th Legislature is Wednesday, November 1, 2017. 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

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2017, chapter 21 provides that emergency lights on a police vehicle may include one blue light mounted facing toward the rear of the vehicle so that the light is primarily visible to approaching traffic from the rear only.

LD 207 **Resolve, To Designate a Bridge in East Machias as the Norman E. Bagley Memorial Bridge** **RESOLVE 1**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUELL W MAKER J	OTP	

This resolve designates Bridge 3219 on Route 191 that crosses the East Machias River in the Town of East Machias the Norman E. Bagley Memorial Bridge.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2017, chapter 1 designates Bridge 3219 on Route 191 that crosses the East Machias River in the Town of East Machias the Norman E. Bagley Memorial Bridge.

LD 208 **An Act To Allow Vehicles Hauling Animal Bedding To Travel over County or Town Ways without a Permit** **PUBLIC 25**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KINNEY M DAVIS P	ONTP OTP-AM	H-13

This bill exempts vehicles hauling animal bedding from posted road restrictions imposed by the Department of Transportation, counties or municipalities.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-13)

This amendment, which is the minority report, replaces the bill. It changes the title and removes the emergency preamble and emergency clause. The amendment provides that a vehicle delivering organic animal bedding material may travel over a county or town way without a specific municipal or county permit as long as that vehicle is operating in accordance with restrictions imposed by the applicable county or municipality.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2017, chapter 25 provides that a vehicle delivering organic animal bedding material may travel over a county or town way without a specific municipal or county permit as long as that vehicle is operating in accordance with restrictions imposed by the applicable county or municipality.

LD 209 **An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Temporary Sign Usage** **CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PARRY W		

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to make changes to the laws regarding categorical signs to adjust the time, placement and content