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**STATE OF MAINE**  
128<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE  
FIRST 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

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 128<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 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 128<sup>th</sup> 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 State and Local Government*

**LD 402 An Act To Establish Maine Buy Local Month**

**Died Between  
Houses**

| <u>Sponsor(s)</u>     | <u>Committee Report</u> | <u>Amendments Adopted</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| HAMANN S<br>BELLOWS S | OTP-AM<br>ONTP          |                           |

This bill designates November as Maine Buy Local Month and directs the Department of Economic and Community Development to encourage buying from local businesses and to increase awareness of the economic effect of buying from local businesses.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-31)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section to the bill.

This amendment was not adopted.

**LD 432 An Act To Designate a Maine Community Litter Cleanup Day**

**PUBLIC 41**

| <u>Sponsor(s)</u>       | <u>Committee Report</u> | <u>Amendments Adopted</u> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| WADSWORTH N<br>HAMPER J | OTP                     |                           |

This bill establishes the first Saturday in May as Maine Community Litter Cleanup Day.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2017, chapter 41 establishes the first Saturday in May as Maine Community Litter Cleanup Day.

**LD 473 An Act To Quantitatively Evaluate State Contracts**

**CARRIED OVER**

| <u>Sponsor(s)</u> | <u>Committee Report</u> | <u>Amendments Adopted</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| DEVIN M           |                         |                           |

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

This bill proposes to create a process to quantitatively evaluate competitive bids for state contracts in terms of the total economic value to the State. The process established by this bill would apply to state service contracts expected to exceed \$100,000 in total value and would include scoring criteria that evaluate the economic impact of the proposer's bid on the state economy and state revenues. In evaluating economic impact, the process would use economic multipliers to measure the impact of the use of raw materials from in-state sources, the employment of state residents and the use of in-state vendors, consultants and subcontractors. The process established by the bill will be consistent with the terms of Executive Order 2012-004, An Order Directing Certain Evaluation Criteria in Competitive Bidding.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 128th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1138.