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STATE OF MAINE
128TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL, SECOND REGULAR AND SECOND SPECIAL SESSIONS



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* contain summaries of all LDs and adopted amendments and all laws enacted or finally passed during the First Special, Second Regular and Second Special Sessions 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 dates for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Special, Second Regular or Second Special Sessions of the 128th Legislature are: Monday, February 5, 2018; Wednesday, August 1, 2018; and Thursday, December 13, 2018, respectively. 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 Criminal Justice and Public Safety

LD 525

An Act To Enhance Maine's Response to Domestic Violence

PUBLIC 431

| <u>Sponsor(s)</u> | <u>Committee Report</u> | <u>Amendments Adopted</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| ESPLING E CYRWAY S | OTP-AM ONTP | H-139 S-509 HAMPER J |

This bill was reported out of committee during the First Regular Session of the 128th Legislature and then carried over to the Second Regular Session on the Special Appropriations Table. It was again carried over, still on the Special Appropriations Table, to the Second Special Session by joint order S.P. 748.

The bill provides funding for the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence to support certified batterers' intervention programs for indigent participant fees, training programs, transportation costs and administrative expenses for the coalition.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-139)

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the bill and adds an appropriations and allocations section to provide funding to the Department of Corrections, instead of the Department of Health and Human Services, for batterers' intervention programs.

Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-509)

This amendment requires the Department of Corrections to submit a report regarding the effectiveness of certified batterers' intervention programs to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters by December 5, 2020. This amendment also specifies that funding provided to the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence to support these programs does not extend beyond fiscal year 2020-21. Finally, this amendment removes the funding provided in fiscal year 2017-18.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2017, chapter 431 provides funding of \$150,000 to the Department of Corrections, Office of Victim Services for batterers' intervention programs and specifies that such funding may not extend beyond fiscal year 2020-21. The law requires the Department of Corrections to submit a report regarding the effectiveness of certified batterers' intervention programs to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over criminal justice matters by December 5, 2020. The law also specifies that funding provided to the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence to support these programs does not extend beyond fiscal year 2020-21.

LD 861

An Act To Provide Wage Parity for Certain State Law Enforcement Personnel

ONTP

| <u>Sponsor(s)</u> | <u>Committee Report</u> | <u>Amendments Adopted</u> |
|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| NADEAU C MAKER J | ONTP | |

This bill was carried over from the First Regular Session to the Second Regular Session of the 128th Legislature.

The bill provides for a 15% upward adjustment of salary schedules in fiscal year 2017-18 for certain law enforcement positions in the Department of Corrections; the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry; Baxter State Park Authority; the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, Maine Military Authority; the Office of the Attorney General; and the Office of the Secretary of State, Bureau of Motor Vehicles. It also requires that, beginning in fiscal year 2018-19, revenue from a sales tax imposed on the retail sale of