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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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LEGALIZATION IMPLEMENTATION**

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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 Select Committee on Marijuana Legalization Implementation*

**LD 855**

**An Act To Protect Children from Edible Cannabis Products**

**CARRIED OVER**

Sponsor(s)

HAMANN S

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

This bill amends the Marijuana Legalization Act to require the state licensing authority to develop rules that prohibit the manufacture, distribution and sale of edible retail marijuana products in packaging or shapes that appeal to children. Under current law, the possession of any edible retail marijuana product is prohibited until February 1, 2018, so the effective date of this legislation is delayed until then.

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

**LD 938**

**An Act To Harmonize Provisions of "An Act To Legalize Marijuana" with Related Provisions of the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act**

**CARRIED OVER**

Sponsor(s)

HAMANN S

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

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

It proposes to harmonize certain public health provisions applicable to the medical and adult recreational use of marijuana, including, but not limited to, laboratory testing of product, product labeling requirements, child-safe packaging requirements and inspection requirements. This bill would require that registered dispensaries and registered caregivers in the Maine medical use of marijuana program comply with the testing requirements that apply to adult recreational sales of marijuana.

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

**LD 1197 An Act to Support Substance Use Disorder Prevention, Treatment and Recovery**

**CARRIED OVER**

Sponsor(s)

BEEBE-CENTER P  
MAKER J

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

This bill establishes the Fund for Substance Use Disorder Prevention, Treatment and Recovery and funds it by requiring 10% of the tax revenue from the retail sale of marijuana and marijuana products to be deposited in the fund. The fund is used for substance use disorder prevention, recovery and treatment programs administered by the Department of Health and Human Services and the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention. This bill specifies that the additional funding for existing programs for substance use disorder, treatment and recovery is intended to supplement, not supplant, funding appropriated for those purposes.

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