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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 Criminal Justice and Public Safety*

**LD 1048**

**An Act To Reclassify Certain Offenses and Increase the Efficiency of the Criminal Justice System**

**CARRIED OVER**

Sponsor(s)

VOLK A

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

This bill requires the use of the Uniform Summons and Complaint form for criminal violations of the Maine Revised Statutes, Titles 12, 17-A and 29-A and the Violation Summons and Complaint for civil violations of those titles. This bill requires the Violation Summons and Complaint form to be the same form as that currently used for traffic infractions and standardizes the use, including the issuance and disposition, of that form by law enforcement officers and the Maine Warden Service.

This bill specifies that district attorneys are required to prosecute only criminal violations of the inland fisheries and wildlife laws and removes references to citations, which are no longer used by the warden service.

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

**LD 1050**

**An Act To Protect the Safety of Emergency Medical Services Personnel and Patients**

**Died Between Houses**

Sponsor(s)

SHEATS B  
ROSEN K

Committee Report

ONTP  
OTP-AM  
OTP-AM

Amendments Adopted

This bill authorizes a political subdivision of the State to adopt an order, ordinance, rule or regulation that prohibits a person from having a firearm in the person's possession while inside an emergency medical services vehicle that is owned or operated by or on behalf of the political subdivision.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-337)**

This amendment is one of two minority reports from the committee. The amendment does not prohibit a political subdivision of the State from adopting an order, ordinance, rule or regulation that regulates possession of a firearm while inside an emergency medical services vehicle that is owned or operated by or on behalf of the political subdivision.

This amendment was not adopted.

**Committee Amendment "B" (H-338)**

This amendment is one of two minority reports from the committee. The amendment does not prohibit a political subdivision of the State from adopting an order, ordinance, rule or regulation requiring that a firearm carried inside an emergency medical services vehicle that is owned or operated by or on behalf of the political subdivision be locked in a lockbox by emergency medical services personnel.

This amendment was not adopted.