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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
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE
DIED BETWEEN HOUSES
DIED IN CONCURRENCE defeated in each house, but on different motions; legislation died
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT action incomplete when session ended; legislation died
EMERGENCYenacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days after session adjournment
FAILED, EMERGENCY ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGEemergency failed to receive required 2/3 vote
FAILED, ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGE
FAILED, MANDATE ENACTMENTlegislation 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 WITHDRAWsponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODYruled 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
PUBLIC XXX
RESOLVE XXX
VETO SUSTAINEDLegislature 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 Criminal Justice and Public Safety

rights regarding notification of public proceedings at which the victim has a right to be heard, the right to confer with the prosecution and the right to prompt and full restitution. This resolution requires a court to grant a request by the victim to enforce the rights of the victim and to provide a remedy for violations of the victim's rights, including the appeal of a sentence. This resolution does not provide a victim a cause of action for compensation or damages against the State or a political subdivision of the State, including the courts, or any officer, employee or agent of the State or a political subdivision of the State.

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

LD 1173

An Act To Require That Information on Prisoners' Furlough Be Reported to the National Crime Information Center, Department of Public Safety and State Bureau of Identification **ONTP**

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
CYRWAY S	ONTP	
PIERCE J		

This bill requires the sheriff or administrator of a county jail or regional jail and the chief administrative officer of a correctional facility or detention facility to report information on a prisoner who is granted a furlough to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, National Crime Information Center; the Department of Public Safety for access to that information by law enforcement officers; and the Department of Public Safety, Bureau of State Police, State Bureau of Identification. This information must include the name and date of birth of the prisoner, the name of the county jail, regional jail, correctional facility or detention facility to which the prisoner is committed, the beginning and end times for the furlough and any conditions of release.

LD 1175 An Act To Expand Options for the Prevention of Domestic Violence

Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
DION M	ONTP	
WARREN C	OTP-AM	

This bill creates a gun violence restraining order to authorize a court to order a person to surrender that person's firearms and ammunition for a specific period of time when it has been proved that the person poses a danger of causing personal injury to that person or another person. The bill provides that:

- 1. A law enforcement officer may file for a temporary emergency gun violence restraining order, which expires in 21 days;
- 2. A law enforcement officer or a family or household member of the person may request an ex parte gun violence restraining order, which expires in 21 days. The court is required to hold a hearing to determine if a one-year order should be issued within 21 days;
- 3. A law enforcement officer or a family or household member of the person may request that a one-year gun violence restraining order be issued. The plaintiff must prove by clear and convincing evidence that the person poses a significant danger and that the order is necessary to prevent injury because less restrictive alternatives have been tried or are inappropriate in the specific case;
- 4. The subject of a gun violence restraining order is required to surrender all firearms and ammunition in the person's possession to a law enforcement officer or to sell the firearms and ammunition to a federally licensed