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**STATE OF MAINE**  
128<sup>TH</sup> 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 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 dates for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Special, Second Regular or Second Special Sessions of the 128<sup>th</sup> 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 Health and Human Services*

**LD 1189**

**An Act To Define the Age of Consent for Alcohol or Drug Treatment and Mental Health Services**

**Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
POULIOT M HILL D	ONTP OTP-AM	

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

This bill provides that a minor who is 14 years of age or older may consent to treatment for abuse of alcohol or drugs or for emotional or psychological problems and does not need the consent of a parent or guardian for such treatment. It also provides that if the parent or guardian consents to such treatment of a minor 14 years of age or older, the minor may not abrogate that consent and that if a minor 14 years of age or older consents to such treatment, a parent or guardian may not abrogate that consent.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-662)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. It changes from 14 years of age to 12 years of age the age of a minor who may consent to treatment for abuse of alcohol or drugs or for emotional or psychological problems. It removes the provision that prevents a minor from abrogating the consent of the minor's parent or guardian. The bill provides that a parent or guardian may not abrogate the consent to treatment provided by a minor 14 years of age or older; the amendment changes that age to 12 years of age or older.

**LD 1214 An Act To Create Fairness in Home-based Care Fees for Service**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LIBBY N	ONTP	

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

This bill provides that rules adopted by the Department of Health and Human Services for the administration of the program for in-home and community support services for the elderly may not require a person receiving services under a state-funded program to make a monthly payment toward the administrative cost of coordination services if an in-home care service was not provided in that month.

**LD 1273 Resolve, To Redispense Donated Prescription Drugs**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HYMANSON P	ONTP	

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

This resolve requires the Maine Board of Pharmacy to adopt rules to allow a nongovernmental organization in the State to coordinate both the donation of unused prescription drugs by nursing homes, hospitals, wholesalers and other institutional pharmacies and the subsequent redispensing of these prescription drugs at no cost to low-income