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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
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 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 1221

# An Act To Clarify and Amend Certain Provisions of Law Regarding Victim Services

**PUBLIC 128** 

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
ROSEN K	OTP-AM	S-116

This bill adds to the protections of the victim notification laws by requiring victim notification of funeral and deathbed visits by prisoners, by adding to the definition of "victim" a person who has obtained from a court a protection from abuse order or received court approval for a protection from abuse consent agreement and by allowing victims to request notification directly from the Department of Corrections.

It allows a court to revoke the probation of an offender who has contact with a victim during incarceration if contact has been prohibited by a condition of probation or by the department.

It also eliminates two redundant statutory provisions regarding the department's Victim Services Coordinator and allows the Commissioner of Corrections to delegate supervision of the coordinator.

#### Committee Amendment "A" (S-116)

This amendment amends the bill by providing that a court may revoke the probation of an offender who has contact with a victim during incarceration at a county or regional jail if contact has been prohibited by the county or regional jail. The bill provides that a court may revoke the probation of an offender who has contact with a victim during incarceration if contact has been prohibited by a condition of probation or by the Department of Corrections.

#### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2017, chapter 128 adds to the protections of the victim notification laws by requiring victim notification of funeral and deathbed visits by prisoners, by adding to the definition of "victim" a person who has obtained from a court a protection from abuse order or received court approval for a protection from abuse consent agreement and by allowing victims to request notification directly from the Department of Corrections.

The law also allows a court to revoke the probation of an offender who has contact with a victim during incarceration if contact has been prohibited by a condition of probation, by the department or by a county or regional jail. It eliminates two redundant statutory provisions regarding the department's Victim Services Coordinator and allows the Commissioner of Corrections to delegate supervision of the coordinator.

## LD 1223 An Act To Facilitate the Continued Operation of the Department of Corrections Intensive Mental Health Unit

PUBLIC 147 EMERGENCY

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
ROSEN K	OTP	
LONGSTAFF T		

This bill removes the provisions of law that on August 1, 2017 repeal provisions enacted in Public Law 2013, chapter 434 that enable the Department of Corrections to establish an intensive mental health unit, which provides services to the department's prisoners and to prisoners of jails, and that enable the department to obtain court orders for the involuntary medication of prisoners with mental illness.

#### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2017, chapter 147 removes the August 1, 2017 sunset provisions applicable to Public Law 2013, chapter 434 that enable the Department of Corrections to establish an intensive mental health unit within the Maine State