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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..... 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 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 Transportation

LD 1277

An Act To Require the Secretary of State To Inform Commercial Drivers about Human Trafficking Prevention

PUBLIC 192

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GIDEON S VOLK A	OTP-AM	H-240

This bill requires that, beginning April 1, 2018, an applicant for a new commercial driver's license complete in person or online a nationally recognized training program on preventing human trafficking in the trucking industry as a requirement to receive a license. It also requires that all new and renewed commercial driver's licenses be accompanied by a wallet-sized card that outlines signs of and how to report human trafficking and includes a telephone number for a national human trafficking hotline.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-240)

This amendment strikes the requirement in the bill that an applicant for a new commercial driver's license complete a nationally recognized training program on preventing human trafficking in the trucking industry. It retains the provision in the bill that requires that all new and renewed commercial driver's licenses be accompanied by information that outlines how to recognize human trafficking and how to report human trafficking and includes a telephone number for a national human trafficking hotline.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2017, chapter 192 requires that all new and renewed commercial driver's licenses be accompanied by information that outlines how to recognize human trafficking and how to report human trafficking and includes a telephone number for a national human trafficking hotline.

LD 1310

An Act To Establish a Driver's License Suspension Amnesty Day

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DEVIN M MIRAMANT D	ONTP	

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

This bill proposes to establish a program in which a person who has outstanding traffic tickets with unpaid fines that have resulted in the suspension of that person's driver's license is eligible, for a limited time, to pay a reduced fine per ticket in order to reinstate that person's driver's license. It is based on a similar program in Vermont.

This bill will establish criteria for eligibility for participation in the program, including which offenses qualify, the amount that an eligible person must pay and when the program will be held.

LD 1312

Resolve, To Investigate Extending Passenger Rail Service to Central Maine

Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FREY A	ONTP OTP-AM	