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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
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 Insurance and Financial Services

direct primary care service agreement or from entering into a pilot program for direct primary care with a federal or state agency that provides health coverage.

LD 1386

An Act To Clarify the Public Nature of Annual Statements of Life Settlement Providers

PUBLIC 75

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
WHITTEMORE R	OTP	

This bill clarifies that annual statements filed with the Superintendent of Insurance by life settlement providers are public records.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2017, chapter 75 clarifies that annual statements filed with the Superintendent of Insurance by life settlement providers are public records.

LD 1407 An Act Regarding Prescription Drug Step Therapy

CARRIED OVER

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
ROSEN K PIERCE J	OTP-AM	S-245

This bill requires health insurers to establish a process for prescription drug step therapy override exception determinations.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-245)

This amendment does the following.

- 1. It clarifies that carriers must apply the utilization review standards under current law when acting on a request for a step therapy override exception determination or an appeal of a determination.
- 2. It replaces certain terminology used in the bill to be consistent with current law.
- 3. It changes the applicability of the bill's provisions from January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2019.

This bill was reported out of committee and then carried over to the next special or regular session of the 128th Legislature on the Special Appropriations Table by joint order, S.P. 601.

LD 1417 An Act To Require Insurance Coverage for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Lyme Disease

CARRIED OVER

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
FREDETTE K		

This bill requires a carrier offering or renewing a health plan in the State to provide coverage to diagnose and treat Lyme disease.

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