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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*..... 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 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*

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

**LD 1427 An Act To Make Community Paramedicine Services Permanent**

**PUBLIC 276**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GERRISH K	OTP-AM	H-489

This bill makes community paramedicine pilot projects established by the Emergency Medical Services' Board permanent. The bill also prohibits the use of state funds to fund community paramedicine projects.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-489)**

This amendment changes the term in the bill "community paramedicine projects" to "community paramedicine services." The amendment strikes the provision of the bill that prohibits the use of state funds for the purposes of the bill.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2017, chapter 276 makes community paramedicine services established by the Emergency Medical Services' Board permanent, no longer pilot projects.

**LD 1428 An Act To Relieve Overcrowding in County Jails**

**Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GUERIN S ROSEN K	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill requires that a probationer held without bail pending hearing after an initial appearance for a probation violation must be transferred to the custody of the Department of Corrections and within seven days transported to a department facility.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-507)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. The amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

This amendment was not adopted.

**LD 1429 An Act Regarding the Epidemic of Opiate Abuse**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GROHMAN M DION M	OTP-AM	H-510

This bill addresses the opiate crisis in Maine by:

1. Allowing funds from property forfeited pursuant to a criminal forfeiture action to be assigned by the court, upon the request of the investigating or prosecuting agency, to a law enforcement agency in this State that provides case management and other social services to persons with substance use disorders;