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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* 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 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 dates for non-emergency legislation enacted in the First Special, Second Regular or Second Special Sessions of the 128th 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 Taxation

foreign commerce or intrastate commerce and other conditions of eligibility. This provision is retroactive to purchases made on or after January 1, 2012. The language of Part I is similar to the committee amendment to LD 1734, which was indefinitely postponed.

LD 1862 **An Act To Establish Municipal Cost Components for Unorganized Territory Services To Be Rendered in Fiscal Year 2018-19**

**PUBLIC 424
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP-AM OTP-AM	H-712 S-504 JACKSON T

This bill was reported out of committee in the Second Regular Session of the 128th Legislature and then carried over to the next special session by joint order S.P. 748.

This bill, which was submitted by the administrator of the unorganized territory pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, Section 1604, establishes municipal cost components for state and county services provided to the unorganized territory that would normally be paid for by a municipality. The municipal cost components form the basis for the property tax for the unorganized territory.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-712)

This amendment, which is the majority report, removes the cost of funding a proposed new half-time deputy sheriff position in Aroostook County and the cost of funding the proposed construction of a bridge on a private road in Oxford County.

Committee Amendment "B" (H-713)

This amendment, which is the minority report, removes the cost of funding the proposed construction of a bridge on a private road in Oxford County.

Senate Amendment "B" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-504)

This amendment strikes from Committee Amendment "A" language that reduces by \$80,000 the municipal cost component submitted by Aroostook County to remove funding for a half-time deputy sheriff position and a vehicle; instead, this amendment reduces that municipal cost component by \$45,000 to remove only the funding for the vehicle.

This amendment also requires the administrator of Aroostook County to reimburse the fiscal administrator of the unorganized territory for the time that the half-time deputy sheriff position provides services directly to the organized municipalities in Aroostook County, as determined by the Aroostook County administrator.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2017, chapter 424 establishes municipal cost components for state and county services provided to the unorganized territory that would normally be paid for by a municipality. The municipal cost components form the basis for the property tax for the unorganized territory. This law requires the administrator of Aroostook County to reimburse the fiscal administrator of the unorganized territory for the time that a half-time deputy sheriff position provides services directly to the organized municipalities in Aroostook County, as determined by the Aroostook County administrator.

Public Law 2017, chapter 424 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 27, 2018.