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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 129th 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 129th Legislature is Thursday, September 19, 2019. 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 49 An Act Authorizing the Issuance on Request of Acquired Brain Injury Identification Cards

PUBLIC 506

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ORDWAY L DIAMOND B	OTP-AM	H-519 S-360 DIAMOND B

This bill requires the Secretary of State, upon request, to issue a sticker to be placed on a person's driver's license or nondriver identification card to indicate that the person has a traumatic brain injury.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-519)

This amendment strikes and replaces the bill and:

1. Directs the Secretary of State to issue wallet-sized acquired brain injury identification cards to persons who voluntarily request a card;
2. Allows the Secretary of State to require documentation of an acquired brain injury;
3. Provides requirements for the application for and issuance of an acquired brain injury identification card; and
4. Allows the Secretary of State to determine by rule any additional information about acquired brain injury that must be placed on an acquired brain injury identification card.

The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-360)

This amendment removes the appropriations and allocations section.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2019, chapter 506:

1. Directs the Secretary of State to issue wallet-sized acquired brain injury identification cards to persons who voluntarily request a card;
2. Allows the Secretary of State to require documentation of an acquired brain injury;
3. Provides requirements for the application for and issuance of an acquired brain injury identification card; and
4. Allows the Secretary of State to determine by rule any additional information about acquired brain injury that must be placed on an acquired brain injury identification card.

LD 57 An Act To Require the Maine Turnpike Authority To Accept E-Z Pass Payments of Any Amount by Telephone

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ACKLEY K	ONTP	

Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

This bill directs the Maine Turnpike Authority to allow payment in any amount of electronically assessed or recorded tolls to be made by telephone.

LD 83 An Act To Amend the Law Regarding Resale by a Motor Vehicle Dealer CARRIED OVER
To Permit the Dealer To Use a Copy of a Certificate of Title

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DRINKWATER G		

This bill allows a dealer selling a motor vehicle to use a copy of the valid certificate of title instead of the original valid certificate of title.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session, or both, of the 129th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1322.

LD 108 An Act To Protect Historic Places and Structures on the Federal Aid ONTP
Highway System

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HANLEY J DOW D	ONTP	

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to comply with the National Historic Preservation Act when performing construction or maintenance on a federal aid highway that involves or affects a structure or place listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

LD 117 An Act To Exempt Motor Vehicles Less Than 5 Years Old from ONTP
Inspection

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CEBRA R	ONTP	

This bill provides that a new motor vehicle that has had an inspection is not required to have another inspection until five years from the last day of the month in which it was initially registered. After this time period has passed, the motor vehicle is required to have an annual motor vehicle safety inspection.

LD 120 An Act To Rebrand Maine's License Plate Slogan from "Vacationland" ONTP
to "Staycationland"

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ACKLEY K	ONTP	

This bill changes the slogan on motor vehicle license plates issued by the State from "Vacationland" to "Staycationland."