# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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### STATE OF MAINE

129<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 129<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
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 chapter # of enacted public law
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 129<sup>th</sup> 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 Criminal Justice and Public Safety

limitations applicable to prosecutions for a Class A, Class B or Class C crime involving unlawful sexual contact or gross sexual assault. These changes apply only to those Class A, Class B and Class C crimes of unlawful sexual contact or gross sexual assault committed on or after September 19, 2019 or for which the prosecution has not yet been barred by the statute of limitations in force immediately prior to September 19, 2019. The law makes a number of technical corrections to the provisions of the Maine Criminal Code governing statutes of limitations to provide additional clarity within those provisions.

## LD 94 An Act To Prohibit the Dissemination of Obscene Material by Public ONTP Schools

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
ARATA A	ONTP	
CYRWAY S		

This bill removes public schools from the institutional exceptions to the law prohibiting the dissemination of obscene material to minors.

### LD 113 An Act To Exclude Antique Tractors from the Laws Governing Motor Vehicle Racing

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
JOHANSEN C	ONTP	

This bill excludes antique tractors from regulation under the motor vehicle racing laws.

### **LD 128** An Act To Reopen the Downeast Correctional Facility

**ONTP** 

**ONTP** 

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
TUELL W MOORE M	ONTP	

This bill requires the Department of Corrections to reopen the Downeast Correctional Facility. The facility must remain open and operational, and the bill permits the closure of the facility only if legislation approving the closure is enacted into law. Funding is provided to restore all positions and for related All Other costs to reopen and operate the Downeast Correctional Facility beginning October 1, 2019.

## LD 134 An Act Concerning the Composition of the Criminal Law Advisory Commission

Accepted Majority (ONTP) Report

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
TUELL W	ONTP	
	OTP	

This bill amends the membership of the Criminal Law Advisory Commission to require that at least one member be a law enforcement officer from a state law enforcement agency and at least one member be a law enforcement officer from a county or municipal law enforcement agency.