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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
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 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

This amendment replaces the bill and changes the title. Instead of increasing the penalty for the illegal passing of a school bus as in the bill, the amendment allows the State or a municipality to use a traffic surveillance camera mounted on a school bus to prove, enforce or open an investigation into a violation of illegally passing a school bus. The amendment provides that information recorded by a traffic surveillance camera mounted on a school bus is confidential and may be used only to prove, enforce or open an investigation into a violation and may not be retained for more than 30 days unless it is used to open an investigation. It also clarifies that the penalty provision in statute regarding overtaking and passing school buses applies only to the passing or overtaking of a school bus. The amendment also allows school buses to be equipped with extended stop arms that when activated extend 3 to 6 feet outward from the left side of a school bus.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2019, chapter 318 allows the State or a municipality to use a traffic surveillance camera mounted on a school bus to prove, enforce or open an investigation into a violation of illegally passing a school bus. It provides that information recorded by a traffic surveillance camera mounted on a school bus is confidential and may be used only to prove, enforce or open an investigation into a violation and may not be retained for more than 30 days unless it is used to open an investigation. It clarifies that the penalty provision in statute regarding overtaking and passing school buses applies only to the passing or overtaking of a school bus. It also allows school buses to be equipped with extended stop arms that when activated extend 3 to 6 feet outward from the left side of a school bus.

LD 180

An Act To Allow for the Regulation of Transportation Network Companies at Airports by Certain Municipalities

PUBLIC 78 EMERGENCY

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
FARNSWORTH D	OTP-AM	H-124

This bill allows a municipality to adopt an ordinance governing the operations of a transportation network company at an airport located within that municipality.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-124)

This amendment, instead of giving municipalities broad authority to adopt an ordinance governing the operations of a transportation network company at an airport, specifies that a municipality or other political subdivision operating a public airport that receives scheduled passenger aircraft service and that had more than 20,000 passenger boardings in the previous year may in a manner consistent with the airport's regulation of other prearranged for-hire transportation services charge a reasonable fee for each trip to pick up a rider at the airport made by a driver for a transportation network company and regulate the parking and traffic flow of transportation network company drivers at the airport.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2019, chapter 78 provides that a municipality or other political subdivision operating a public airport that receives scheduled passenger aircraft service and that had more than 20,000 passenger boardings in the previous year may in a manner consistent with the airport's regulation of other prearranged for-hire transportation services charge a reasonable fee for each trip to pick up a rider at the airport made by a driver for a transportation network company and regulate the parking and traffic flow of transportation network company drivers at the airport.

Public Law 2019, chapter 78 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 8, 2019.