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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 Criminal Justice and Public Safety

Committee Amendment "A" (H-627)

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The amendment adds to the bill a directive that the Commissioner of Public Safety use appropriated General Fund funding for the purposes of the bill and authorizes the commissioner to accept and use for those purposes gifts, donations and contributions. The amendment adds an appropriation in fiscal year 2019-20 of \$43,500 to enable the State Fire Marshal to purchase a new high temperature thermal destruction incinerator.

Committee Amendment "B" (H-628)

This amendment is one of two minority reports of the committee. The amendment adds to the bill a marine flare disposal fee, in a new chapter in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 36, of 25¢ per flare. The fee will offset the cost to the General Fund of paying for the marine flare education, collection and disposal programs in the bill. The marine flare disposal fee takes effect on January 1, 2020. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

This amendment was not adopted.

This bill was reported out of committee and then carried over to any special or regular session, or both, of the 129th Legislature on the Special Appropriations Table by joint order, H.P. 1322.

LD 449 An Act To Impose a Mandatory Sentence for the Crime of Aggravated ONTP
Unlawful Operation of a Methamphetamine Laboratory

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KEIM L	ONTP	

This bill adds the crime of aggravated unlawful operation of a methamphetamine laboratory to the list of drug offenses that carry a mandatory four-year minimum sentence.

LD 460 An Act Requiring the State To Reimburse Counties for All Costs ONTP
Exceeding the Tax Assessment for Correctional Services

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
STANLEY S FARRIN B	ONTP	

This bill requires the Department of Corrections to reimburse a county for the annual costs of correctional services that exceed the county's tax assessment for those services.

LD 485 An Act Regarding Actions of the Owner or Keeper of a Dog That PUBLIC 134
Assaults a Person and Causes an Injury That Requires Medical
Attention

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
POULIOT M HARNETT T	OTP-AM	S-65

This bill requires the owner or keeper of a dangerous dog that assaults a person and causes serious bodily injury to remain at the scene of the assault until after providing the owner's or keeper's name and current address to the