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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	e
CON RES XXX	S
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE	d
DIED BETWEEN HOUSES	d
DIED IN CONCURRENCE defeated in each house, but on different motions; legislation died	d
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT action incomplete when session ended; legislation died	d
EMERGENCYenacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days after session adjournment	t
FAILED, EMERGENCY ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGEemergency failed to receive required 2/3 vote	e
FAILED, ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAGE failed to receive final majority vote	e
FAILED, MANDATE ENACTMENTlegislation proposing local mandate failed required 2/3 vote	e
HELD BY GOVERNOR Governor has not signed; final disposition to be determined at subsequent session	η
LEAVE TO WITHDRAWsponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted	d
NOT PROPERLY BEFORE THE BODYruled out of order by the presiding officer; legislation died	
INDEF PP indefinitely postponed; legislation died	d
ONTP, ACCEPTED, MAJORITY, MINORITY or REPORT X ought-not-to-pass report accepted; legislation died	
P&S XXX	v
PUBLIC XXX	v
RESOLVE XXX	
VETO SUSTAINEDLegislature failed to override Governor's veto	9

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 State and Local Government

This bill replaces the current State of Maine flag with Maine's flag from 1909.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-72)

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. It strikes out the title and changes this bill into a resolve directing the Secretary of State to create a bicentennial flag for the State.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2019, chapter 22 directs the Secretary of State to create, within existing resources, a commemorative flag in recognition and celebration of Maine's bicentennial.

LD 696 An Act To Require Municipalities and School Districts To Provide Notice of Breaches in Personal Data Security

PUBLIC 512

Sponsor(s)	<u>Committee Report</u>	Amendments Adopted
BELLOWS S	OTP-AM	S-77
DAUGHTRY M		S-364 BREEN C

This bill requires a public employer, if the public employer determines or suspects there has been a breach of confidentiality or theft of an employee's personal information due to cyber activity or other means, to notify the employee within 24 hours of being notified of or discovering the breach or theft and to provide the employee financial counseling.

Committee Amendment "A" (S-77)

This amendment strikes out the title and everything after the enacting clause. It amends the existing Notice of Risk to Personal Data Act in Maine Revised Statutes, Title 10, chapter 210-B to add municipalities and school administrative units to the entities obligated under the Act to provide notice in the event of a data breach. It clarifies that the notice must be given no later than 30 days after the information broker or person maintaining computerized data that includes personal information becomes aware of a security breach. It exempts municipalities and school administrative units from the civil violations provision of the Notice of Risk to Personal Data Act.

Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-364)

This floor amendment clarifies that the 30-day notification requirement applies only if there is not a delay due to a law enforcement investigation.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2019, chapter 512 requires municipalities and school administrative units provide notice in the event of a breach of data security. Notice must be provided no later than 30 days after the information broker or person maintaining the computerized data becomes aware of the breach of security and identifies its scope. Municipalities and school administrative units are one of several entities exempt from the civil penalties applicable for failure to comply with the statute.

LD 730 An Act To Create the Substance Use Disorders Cabinet

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
HYMANSON P	ONTP	
GRATWICK G		

Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government

This bill establishes the Substance Use Disorders Cabinet. The cabinet consists of the commissioners from several executive branch agencies, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court and, at the discretion of the Governor, one member of the public. The cabinet is established to promote interdepartmental collaboration on substance use disorders policy development and program implementation and to support service delivery in an integrated manner.

LD 744 Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services To Convey the Interests in Certain Real Property Located in East Millinocket

RESOLVE 76

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
STANLEY S	OTP-AM	Н-489

This resolve authorizes the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to lease or sell the state property known as "the Dolby Landfill" located in the Town of East Millinocket.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-489)

This amendment gives the Town of East Millinocket the right of first refusal to purchase the state property at the broker's opinion of value. It clarifies that the State does not own the timber rights to the property and removes the lease option.

Enacted Law Summary

Resolve 2019, chapter 76 permits the Commissioner of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services to sell all or part of the property located in the Town of East Millinocket conveyed to the State by Katahdin Paper Company LLC on September 28, 2011 and recorded in the Penobscot County Registry of Deeds, Book 12608, Page 97-104. It gives the Town of East Millinocket the right of first refusal to purchase the state property at the broker opinion of value. Any proceeds from the sale must be deposited into the Department's Bureau of General Services' capital repair and improvement account for capital improvements. The resolve is repealed 5 years from its effective date.

LD 746 An Act To Allow Municipalities To Determine the Duration of Development Districts Funded by Assessments

PUBLIC 140

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
JORGENSEN E LIBBY N	ОТР	

This bill repeals the 30-year limit on the duration of a development district created by a municipality or plantation and funded by assessments. Development districts that are a tax increment financing district remain subject to the 30-year limitation.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2019, chapter 140 permits a development district established by a municipality or plantation and funded by assessments to be of unlimited duration unless a limitation on duration is established by the legislative body of the municipality or plantation adopting the development district.