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129<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE  
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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 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*..... 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 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 Transportation*

**LD 938      An Act To Provide for Sustainable Transportation in Maine**

**Leave to Withdraw  
Pursuant to Joint  
Rule**

Sponsor(s)

MCLEAN A

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. This bill proposes to provide a means of sustainable transportation funding for the State.

**LD 945      Resolve, To Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission To Study and  
Recommend Funding Solutions for the State's Transportation Systems**

**RESOLVE 97  
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

MARTIN T  
DIAMOND B

Committee Report

OTP-AM

Amendments Adopted

H-557  
S-353    DIAMOND B

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to establish a blue ribbon commission to study and recommend additional funding options to adequately fund the State's transportation infrastructure maintenance program.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-557)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve that establishes the Blue Ribbon Commission To Study and Recommend Funding Solutions for the State's Transportation Systems. The commission has 15 members. It is required to report on its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation by January 3, 2020.

**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-353)**

This amendment changes the report date in order to conform with Joint Rule 353.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2019, chapter 97 establishes the Blue Ribbon Commission To Study and Recommend Funding Solutions for the State's Transportation Systems. The commission has 15 members. It is required to report on its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation by December 4, 2019.

Resolve 2019, chapter 97 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective June 26, 2019.

**LD 990      An Act To Improve Transportation in Maine**

**ONTP**

Sponsor(s)

CHIPMAN B

Committee Report

ONTP

Amendments Adopted

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. This bill proposes to make specific changes to the law to improve transportation infrastructure and modes in this State.