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129TH 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 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 to receive final majority vote
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 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 Marine Resources

It requires that the analysis include the effluence of biological substances such as pheromones from land-based aquaculture and that analysis of these effects must be conducted cooperatively with the industries and communities that discharge into rivers that are significant for Atlantic salmon and other diadromous fish species.

It also requires the commissioner to submit an annual report to this committee on the success of the program.

LD 1284 An Act To Create the Science and Policy Advisory Council on the Impact of Climate Change on Maine's Marine Species

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
BLUME L	ONTP	
MOORE M		

This bill establishes the Science and Policy Advisory Council on the Impact of Climate Change on Maine's Marine Species to examine the effects of climate change on Maine's marine ecosystems as habitat for the State's valuable commercial marine species and the direct and indirect effects of climate change on those commercial marine species. The council will identify, study and make recommendations to remediate and mitigate the direct and indirect effects of climate change on marine species that are commercially harvested and grown in the State's coastal and ocean environments.

LD 1285 An Act To Establish Criteria for a Permit To Conduct Research in the Intertidal Zone

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
BLUME L	ONTP	

This bill authorizes the Department of Marine Resources to establish criteria for a permit to conduct research in the intertidal zone.

LD 1286

An Act To Allow the Deposition of Oyster Shell Cultch To Ameliorate Ocean and Coastal Acidification

ONTP

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

This bill allows the deposition of oyster shell cultch in intertidal zones or in harbors or rivers below the dividing line between tidewater and fresh water to ameliorate ocean and coastal acidification with the written permission of the Commissioner of Marine Resources, who may issue permission taking into consideration any conditions the commissioner considers appropriate.

LD 1419 An Act To Improve Commercial Production of Shellfish by Allowing Municipalities To Establish Active Municipal Shellfish Management Areas

ONTP

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
MCCREIGHT J	ONTP	