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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, 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 Transportation

An Act To Provide Consistency in the Laws Governing Culvert Replacement Sponsor(s) MIRAMANT D Committee Report ONTP ONTP

This bill makes the cost of replacing a culvert the expense of the abutter.

LD 1487 An Act To Exempt Holders of Gold Star Family Registration Plates from Vehicle Registration Fees

PUBLIC 390

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
FECTEAU J	OTP-AM	H-444
TIMBERLAKE J		

This bill exempts a person possessing or applying for a registration certificate and a set of gold star family registration plates from the annual motor vehicle registration fee.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-444)

This amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2019, chapter 390 exempts a person possessing or applying for a registration certificate and a set of gold star family registration plates from the annual motor vehicle registration fee.

LD 1498 An Act To Provide Equity for Commercial Vehicles on Roads and Bridges in Maine

CARRIED OVER

Sponsor(s)	Committee Report	Amendments Adopted
JACKSON T		
MCLEAN A		

This bill repeals the law that allows certain vehicles at weight limits higher than those in this State to travel from the United States-Canada border to certain points in this State. It allows a combination vehicle consisting of a 3-axle truck tractor with a tri-axle semitrailer to be operated with a maximum gross vehicle weight of 108,900 pounds, and a combination vehicle consisting of a 3-axle truck tractor with a semitrailer-semitrailer combination configured as a B-train double with 8 axles total to be operated with a gross vehicle weight of 137,700 pounds.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session, or both, of the 129th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1322.