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129<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL AND SECOND REGULAR SESSIONS



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 Special and Second Regular Sessions 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 Special Session of the 129<sup>th</sup> Legislature is Monday, November 25, 2019 and for non-emergency legislation enacted in the Regular Session of the 129<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Tuesday, June 16, 2020. 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 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry*

**LD 2082**    **Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 28:  
Notification Provisions for Outdoor Pesticide Applications, a Major  
Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and  
Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control**

**RESOLVE 125  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP	

This resolve provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 28: Notification Provisions for Outdoor Pesticide Applications, a major substantive rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2019, chapter 125 provides that final adoption of Chapter 28: Notification Provisions for Outdoor Pesticide Applications, a major substantive rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control, is authorized.

Resolve 2019, chapter 125 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective March 17, 2020.

**LD 2083**    **An Act To Require the Board of Pesticides Control To Annually Publish  
Certain Information Regarding Pesticides and To Prohibit Certain Uses  
of Neonicotinoids**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GROHOSKIN MILLETT R		

This bill requires:

1. The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Board of Pesticides Control to annually publish a summary of the reports received during the previous calendar year from commercial applicators of pesticides. For each pesticide reported to the board, the board's annual summary must include information on the total quantity of pesticide applied and the total area treated in each county in the State; and
2. The Board of Pesticides Control to prohibit the use of any product containing neonicotinoids for landscape gardening by certified applicators or limit the use of any product containing neonicotinoids if the board determines that use is necessary to protect the State. The bill also requires the board to adopt rules establishing restrictions for the use of products containing neonicotinoids.

This bill, which had been voted but not yet reported out, was carried over in committee to any special session of the 129th Legislature by joint order, S.P. 788.