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129TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL AND SECOND REGULAR SESSIONS



Summaries of bills, adopted amendments and laws enacted or finally passed

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION



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..... 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 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 Education and Cultural Affairs

LD 2152 An Act To Permit Naloxone Possession and Administration in Public and Private Schools

CARRIED OVER

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

This bill provides for the administration of naloxone hydrochloride in a noninjectable form to students, school staff and school visitors through collaborative practice agreements between physicians licensed in this State or school health advisors and public and private school nurses.

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

LD 2156 Resolve, Requiring the Department of Education To Report on Issues Relating to Bullying in Schools

CARRIED OVER

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

This resolve was reported by the committee pursuant to Resolve 2019, chapter 44. This resolve requires the Department of Education to report back to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters on issues relating to bullying in schools and the progress of any work groups or task forces that are currently studying this issue. The report must include any findings, recommendations and suggested legislation. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over education matters may report out a bill on the subject matter of the report to the First Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

This resolve was carried over in the House to any special session of the 129th Legislature by joint order, S.P. 788.

LD 2165 An Act To Provide Support to Students, Staff and Faculty at Postsecondary Educational Institutions for Temporary Closures Due to Infectious Diseases

CARRIED OVER

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FECTEAU J POULIOTM		

This bill requires a postsecondary educational institution in the State that temporarily suspends classes and requires students, staff and faculty to remain off campus due to an infectious disease, including COVID-19, to:

1. Reimburse students on a pro rata basis any unused fees previously paid to the institution by the student, and, if classes are not conducted remotely or through an alternate method as determined appropriate by the institution, tuition;
2. Develop a plan to allow certain students, based on a student's individual circumstances, to remain on campus and to provide housing and dining options to those students; and
3. Develop a plan, in consultation with the Department of Labor and the Department of Education, to compensate