

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from electronic originals
(may include minor formatting differences from printed original)

STATE OF MAINE
130TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR AND FIRST SPECIAL SESSIONS



Disposition of bills and summaries of all laws enacted or finally passed

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES**

December 2021

STAFF:

ANNA BROOME, SR. LEGISLATIVE ANALYST
ERIN DOOLING, LEGISLATIVE ANALYST
OFFICE OF POLICY AND LEGAL ANALYSIS
13 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, ME 04333
(207) 287-1670
<http://legislature.maine.gov/opla/>

MEMBERS:

SEN. NED CLAXTON, CHAIR
SEN. JOSEPH BALDACCI
SEN. MARIANNE MOORE

REP. MICHELE MEYER, CHAIR
REP. MARGARET CRAVEN
REP. ANNE C. PERRY
REP. COLLEEN M. MADIGAN
REP. HOLLY B. STOVER
REP. SAMUEL LEWIS ZAGER
REP. KATHY IRENE JAVNER
REP. ABIGAIL W. GRIFFIN
REP. JONATHAN M. CONNOR
REP. MICHAEL H. LEMELIN*
REP. GINA M. MELARAGNO*

*Committee member for a portion of the session

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

LD 24 An Act Regarding Certificates of Birth, Marriage and Death

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 49 makes the following changes to the laws regulating certificates of birth, marriage and death.

1. It clarifies that the signatures on a marriage license of the parties to the intended marriage may be obtained at the issuance of the license or at the time the marriage is solemnized.
2. It requires that when a death or marriage occurs in an unincorporated place, it must be recorded or registered in the electronic registration system.
3. It clarifies that a birth certificate may be amended by the replacement of a genetic parent.
4. It corrects a conflict created by Public Law 2019, chapters 82 and 340, which affected the same provision of law, by incorporating the changes made by both laws.
5. It also makes technical changes to align the law with the Maine Parentage Act and makes other technical changes.

LD 38 An Act To Clarify the Timing of an Appeal of a Finding Regarding Involuntary Mental Health Treatment at a Designated Nonstate Mental Health Institution

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 165 amends the process governing a request for review by the Commissioner of Health and Human Services or the commissioner's designee of an order of a clinical review panel regarding involuntary mental health treatment at a designated nonstate mental health institution.

LD 47 An Act To Fund the State's Free Health Clinics

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2021, chapter 458 appropriates one-time funding of \$40,000 of General Fund in Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and \$50,000 of General Fund in Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for the State's free health clinics. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to provide this funding to the State's free health clinics through a grant process and that, as a condition of receiving grant funding, a free health clinic must, no later than December 15, 2021 report to the department information about how the grant funding would be used by the clinic. It also requires the Commissioner of Health and Human Services to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services no later than January 15, 2022 with information on which clinics were

ENACTED LAW SUMMARIES

130TH FIRST REGULAR AND FIRST SPECIAL SESSIONS – 2021

Page 1 of 23