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

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**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST OF BILLS AND
SUMMARIES OF ENACTED LAWS**

This *Legislative Digest of Bills and Summaries of Enacted Laws* provides the disposition of all LDs and summaries of all laws enacted or finally passed during the First Regular and First Special Sessions of the 131st Maine Legislature. Please note that all LDs and proposed amendments may be found through the Legislature’s webpage, and each includes a summary of what the bill or amendment proposed.

The *Legislative Digest of Bills and Summaries of Enacted Laws* is arranged alphabetically by committee. Within each committee section is a subject index of all LDs considered by that committee as well as a digest of the LDs, arranged by LD number. Also included are enacted law summaries of the LDs enacted or finally passed. Brief analyst notes on certain LDs are also included: a committee digest will indicate if additional notes are provided for an LD. These notes add information staff found useful and may provide useful information to users of this *Digest*; please note that most LDs do not have a note and lack of a note should not be interpreted as having any significance. A separate section of the *Digest* provides a digest of the relatively few LDs that were not referred to a committee or reported from a committee as a committee bill; enacted law summaries of the LDs enacted or finally passed are provided. Finally, an appendix provides a summary of relevant session statistics.

The final disposition of each LD is noted in the relevant summary digest and index. 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 and First Special Sessions of the 131st Legislature is Thursday, June 29, 2023 and Wednesday, October 25, 2023, respectively. 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 LABOR AND HOUSING

LD 316 Resolve, Directing the Department of Labor to Submit a Report on the Employment of Minors

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Resolve 2023, chapter 61 requires the Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor and Housing on issues relating to employment of minors in the State by January 15, 2024. The joint standing committee may report out a bill based upon the report. It also requires the Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards to update its website with certain information related to the employment of minors and to work with the Department of Education regarding school superintendents and work permits for minors.

LD 483 An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Retirement Benefit Reductions for Certain Employees Currently Included in the 1998 Special Plan

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 436 requires that service retirement benefits for certain employees of the Department of Corrections who are included in the 1998 Special Plan as of July 1, 2024 and who were employed prior to January 1, 2000 be computed on the same basis as benefits for other members under the plan are computed; creditable service is included regardless of when that service was earned.

LD 511 An Act to Clarify That Haulers Are Under the Jurisdiction of the Logging Dispute Resolution Board

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 102 applies the provisions governing the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, Logging Dispute Resolution Board to persons hauling trees from forest land for a forest landowner.

LD 651 An Act to Amend the Standards for Manufactured Housing to Comply with United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Standards

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 117 amends the definition of "newer mobile homes" within the definition of "manufactured housing" to comply with United States Department of Housing and Urban Development standards for manufactured housing.