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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 Second Regular Session 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
CON RES XXX chapter # of constitutional resolution passed by both houses
CONF CMTE UNABLE TO AGREE
DIED BETWEEN HOUSES House & Senate disagreed; legislation died
DIED IN CONCURRENCEdefeated 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 GOVERNORGovernor 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 Xought-not-to-pass report accepted; legislation died
P&S XXX
PUBLIC XXX
RESOLVE XXX
VETO SUSTAINEDLegislature failed to override Governor's veto

The effective date for non-emergency legislation enacted in the Second Regular Session of the 131st Legislature is Friday, August 9, 2024. 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 CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

LD 2045 An Act to Establish Training and Certification Standards for Probation and Parole Officers

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 525 requires the board of trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy to establish training and certification standards, set requirements for board-approved courses, prescribe curricula and certify graduates of board-approved courses for probation and parole officers and requires those officers to meet the training and certification standards established by the board. The board must establish training and certification standards by July 1, 2025 and new probation and parole officers must comply with the new standards by that date. Provisional certifications for current probation and parole officers lapse October 1, 2025, at which point those officers must comply with the new standards.

LD 2046 An Act Regarding the Placement of Certain Defendants Found Incompetent to Stand Trial

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 600 repeals the provision of law that repeals, on July 1, 2024, the authorization for the Commissioner of Corrections to accept the placement of an adult defendant in a mental health unit of a correctional facility when the adult defendant has been found incompetent to stand trial and has been committed to the custody of the Commissioner of Health and Human Services.

LD 2051 An Act Regarding the Duties of Bail Commissioners

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 508 amends the Maine Bail Code to allow county jail employees to prepare and execute bail paperwork for defendants having bail set at personal recognizance or unsecured appearance bond by a bail commissioner.

LD 2053 An Act to Exempt Buildings Used to Cultivate Crops from the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 527 exempts buildings used to cultivate crops from the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code, except for buildings used to cultivate cannabis.