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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 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.

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LD 2117 An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Sports Wagering Licensing

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 577 amends the laws governing the regulation of sports wagering licensing. Beginning on or after September 1, 2024, the fee for an initial or renewed facility sports wagering license is reduced from \$4,000 to \$1,000 and the term of the license is reduced from four years to one year. It makes similar changes regarding the mobile sports wagering license, except that it lowers the fee from \$200,000 to \$50,000. It also makes similar changes regarding the supplier license and the management services license, except that it lowers the fee from \$40,000 to \$10,000. It also changes the provisions regarding temporary licenses by aligning the license fees and license terms with the initial or renewed license fees and license terms.

LD 2124 An Act to Clarify the Eligibility of an Off-track Betting Facility to Receive Funding

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 586 amends the laws governing the Fund to Stabilize Off-track Betting Facilities to provide that the fund provides revenues to off-track betting facilities licensed and in operation in the State on the date of the distribution from the fund.

LD 2147 An Act to Change the Requirement for Edible Cannabis Products to Be Stamped or Embossed on Each Serving with a Universal Symbol

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 641 changes the requirement that each individual serving of an edible cannabis product be stamped or embossed with a universal symbol. In place of stamping or embossing each individual product, an edible cannabis product may be individually wrapped or blister packaged with the symbol embossed or stamped on the wrapping or packaging.

Public Law 2023, chapter 641 allows the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, office of cannabis policy to identify, by rule, edible cannabis products that are impracticable to emboss or stamp or to individually wrap or blister package. Such products may be packaged together with the universal symbol on the package label. The law identifies potato or corn chips, popcorn, pretzels, loose granola and gummies as impracticable to emboss or stamp or to individually wrap or blister wrap.

Public Law 2023, chapter 641 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 21, 2024.