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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..... 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 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 2062 An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Real Estate Appraisers and Appraisal Management Companies

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 543 exempts from Standards 3 and 4 of the 2024 revision of the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice a member of the Board of Real Estate Appraisers, when executing duties as a board member to review complaints or the work experience of an applicant for licensure, and an investigator employed or retained by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation while performing an investigation or testifying at an adjudicatory hearing.

LD 2133 An Act to Expand the Use of Career and Technical Education Centers in the Development of the Electrician Workforce

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 551 clarifies that an applicant for a journeyman-in-training electrician license may use course work from an approved 2-year secondary school career and technical education electrical program to qualify for the license examination. Additionally, it increases the required number of work hours to be completed in the field for the journeyman-in-training license from at least 2,000 to at least 6,000 work hours.

Public Law 2023, chapter 551 was enacted as an emergency measure effective March 19, 2024.

LD 2160 An Act to Provide for the 2024 and 2025 Allocations of the State Ceiling on Private Activity Bonds

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Private and Special Law 2023, chapter 18 establishes the allocations of the state ceiling on issuance of tax-exempt private activity bonds for calendar years 2024 and 2025 among the state-level issuers of tax-exempt bonds.

Private and Special Law 2023, chapter 18 was enacted as an emergency measure effective March 14, 2024.