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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
DIED BETWEEN HOUSES	House & Senate disagreed; legislation died
DIED IN CONCURRENCE	defeated in each house, but on different motions; legislation died
	action incomplete when session ended; legislation died
	enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days after session adjournment
	FINAL PASSAGEemergency failed to receive required 2/3 vote
FAILED, ENACTMENT or FINAL PASSAC	GE failed to receive final majority vote
FAILED, MANDATE ENACTMENT	legislation proposing local mandate failed required 2/3 vote
	has not signed; final disposition to be determined at subsequent session
	sponsor's request to withdraw legislation granted
	ruled out of order by the presiding officer; legislation died
	indefinitely postponed; legislation died
	TY or REPORT Xought-not-to-pass report accepted; legislation died
	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.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

LD 2130 An Act to Prohibit Unauthorized Paramilitary Training

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 621 establishes the new crime of unauthorized paramilitary training. A person is guilty of unauthorized paramilitary training if that person intentionally or knowingly engages in the any of the following conduct.

- 1. The person teaches, trains or demonstrates the use, application or making of a firearm, explosive or incendiary device if the person knows or reasonably should know that the teaching, training or demonstrating is intended to be used in or in furtherance of civil disorder.
- 2. The person assembles with others for the purpose of practicing or being trained or instructed in the use, application or making of a firearm, explosive or incendiary device or in techniques capable of causing injury or death of another person, if the person intends or knows that the practicing, training or instruction is intended to be used in or in furtherance of a civil disorder.

The law defines the terms "civil disorder," "explosive," "firearm," and "incendiary device" for the purpose of this crime. The law also exempts certain activities from being considered criminal under this new law. Unauthorized paramilitary training is a Class D crime.

The law also authorizes the Attorney General, in order to restrain or prevent a person from committing unauthorized paramilitary training, to bring a civil action for a temporary or permanent injunction against that person whom the Attorney General has reason to believe is committing the violation.

LD 2161 An Act to Make Technical Corrections to the Maine Juvenile Code, the Maine Criminal Code and the Intelligence and Investigative Record Information Act

ENACTED LAW SUMMARY

Public Law 2023, chapter 557 makes technical corrections to the Maine Juvenile Code, the Maine Criminal Code and the Intelligence and Investigative Record Information Act in the following ways.

- 1. It clarifies provisions in the Maine Juvenile Code regarding the sealing of juvenile records by adding a cross-reference and correcting a reference to juvenile history record information.
- 2. It repeals a provision of law in the Intelligence and Investigative Record Information Act that contains incorrect terminology and an unnecessary requirement that a request for a copy of a complaint by a person who made the complaint be made pursuant to the Freedom of Access Act.
- 3. It corrects a reference to a repealed statute in a provision in the Maine Criminal Code regarding sentences of imprisonment by adding the term "former" to the statutory citation.