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BILLS ENACTED

Public Laws

Signed by the Governor
Thursday, March 7, 2019

Ch. 1 - An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Multiple-party Accounts with Financial Institutions. (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 54, L.D. 242)

Ch. 2 - An Act Regarding Rules Adopted by the ConnectME Authority. (H.P. 32, L.D. 31)

Resolves

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Ch. 1 - Resolve, To Name a Bridge in the Town of Lincoln and the Town of Chester the Master Sergeant Gary Gordon Bridge. (H.P. 8, L.D. 7)

Ch. 2 - Resolve, Designating a Portion of Route 1 in Downeast Maine the Hannah and Rebecca Weston Trail. (H.P. 18, L.D. 17)

Ch. 3 - Resolve, Naming a Highway and Renaming a Bridge in the Town of Whiting. (H.P. 33, L.D. 32)

Ch. 4 - Resolve, To Name the Bridge on Main Street in the Town of Orono the Brandon M. Silk Memorial Bridge. (H.P. 163, L.D. 200)

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L.D. 1056, H.P. 779

An Act To Update and Amend the Finance Authority of Maine Act. (Presented by Representative FECTEAU of Biddeford)

L.D. 1057, H.P. 780

An Act To Streamline the Eviction Process. (Presented by Representative WADSWORTH of Hiram)

L.D. 1058, H.P. 781

An Act Concerning Liability for Direct Reimbursement of Unemployment Benefits. (Presented by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro)

L.D. 1059, H.P. 782

An Act To Authorize the Establishment of an Apprentice License for the Maine Scallop Fishery. (Presented by Representative McDONALD of Stonington)

L.D. 1060, H.P. 783

An Act To Authorize Consumers Located Adjacent to Electric Power Generators To Obtain Power Directly. (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington)

L.D. 1061, H.P. 784

An Act To Establish a Fund To Compensate Unjustly Incarcerated Persons. (Presented by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship)

L.D. 1062, H.P. 785

An Act To Support Maine Families by Providing for Transportation of Parents and Guardians of MaineCare Recipients under 18 Years of Age to Their Appointments. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

L.D. 1063, H.P. 786

An Act To Support the Role of Municipalities in Expanding Broadband Infrastructure. (Presented by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell)

L.D. 1064, H.P. 787

An Act To Address Maine's Firefighter Shortage by Offering Firefighter Training for Credit in High School Career and Technical Education Programs. (Presented by Representative ANDREWS of Paris)

L.D. 1065, H.P. 788

An Act To Expand Health Insurance Coverage To Certain State Employees. (Presented by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop)

L.D. 1066, H.P. 789

An Act To Address Municipal Conflicts of Interest. (Presented by Representative SAMPSON of Alfred)

L.D. 1067, H.P. 790

An Act To Promote Fairness and Efficiency in the Delivery of Indigent Legal Services. (Presented by Representative CARDONE of Bangor)

L.D. 1068, H.P. 791

An Act To Increase the Number of Agency Liquor Stores Permitted in Municipalities with 10,000 to 20,000 Residents. (Presented by Representative GATTINE of Westbrook)

L.D. 1069, H.P. 792

An Act To Amend the Tax Expenditure Review Process. (Presented by Representative TIPPING of Orono)

L.D. 1070, H.P. 793

An Act To Reduce the Number of Domestic Assaults and Suicides By Increasing the Tax on Alcohol. (Presented by Representative CARDONE of Bangor)

L.D. 1071, H.P. 794

An Act To Prohibit the Sale of High-capacity Magazines. (Presented by Representative CARDONE of Bangor)

L.D. 1072, H.P. 795

An Act To Promote Workforce Education on Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia. (Presented by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston)

L.D. 1073, H.P. 796

Resolve, To Implement an Intensive Drug Treatment Court Pilot Project in the Midcoast. (Presented by Representative DEVIN of Newcastle)

L.D. 1074, H.P. 797

An Act To Establish a Tax on Water Extracted for Bottling in Order To Secure the Economic Future of Rural Maine. (Presented by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach)

L.D. 1075, H.P. 798

An Act To Allow a Wrecker To Transport the Number of Vehicles Authorized by Manufacturer Specifications for the Wrecker. (Presented by Representative McCREA of Fort Fairfield)

L.D. 1076, H.P. 799

An Act To Account for Market Change in the Adult Use Marijuana Excise Tax. (Presented by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham)

L.D. 1077, H.P. 800

An Act To Ensure Fair Employment Opportunity for Maine Citizens and Legal Residents by Requiring the Use of the Federal Immigration Verification System. (Presented by Representative DeVEAU of Caribou)

L.D. 1078, H.P. 801

An Act Regarding the Number of Agency Liquor Store Licenses Permitted in a Municipality. (Presented by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop)

L.D. 1079, H.P. 802

An Act To Require Public Schools To Periodically Test for Radon. (Presented by Representative WARREN of Hallowell)

L.D. 1080, H.P. 803

Resolve, Regarding Biofuel in Number 2 Heating Oil. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative RILEY of Jay)

L.D. 1081, S.P. 313

An Act To Impose Further Restrictions on where Marijuana May Be Smoked. (Presented by Senator CYRWAY of Kennebec)

L.D. 1082, S.P. 314

An Act To Provide for Alternative Pain Treatment before Treatment with Opioids. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

L.D. 1083, S.P. 315

An Act To Implement Ranked-choice Voting for Presidential Primary and General Elections in Maine. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

L.D. 1084, S.P. 316

An Act Regarding the Operation of Pedal-powered Tour Vehicles. (Presented by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland)

L.D. 1085, S.P. 317

An Act To Ensure That Maine Residents Have Adequate and Affordable Access to Health Care. (Presented by Senator SANBORN, L. of Cumberland)

L.D. 1086, S.P. 318

An Act To Promote the Goals of the Low-emission Vehicle Program by Requiring That New Vehicle Purchases for the State Fleet Be Composed of a Minimum Percentage of Zero-emission Vehicles. (Presented by Senator FOLEY of York)

L.D. 1087, S.P. 319

An Act To Keep Maine Businesses Competitive. (Presented by Senator HAMPER of Oxford)

L.D. 1088, S.P. 320

An Act Regarding the Maine Law Enforcement Memorial. (Presented by Senator ROSEN of Hancock)

L.D. 1089, S.P. 321

An Act To Ban Discretionary Clauses in Life and Health Insurance Policies. (Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook)

L.D. 1090, S.P. 322

An Act To Update the Criminal Animal Welfare Laws. (Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook)

L.D. 1091, S.P. 323

An Act Regarding the Personal Liability of Government Employees. (Presented by Senator LAWRENCE of York)

L.D. 1092, S.P. 324

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Critical Incident Stress Management Teams. (Presented by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec)

L.D. 1093, S.P. 325

An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Invest in Maine's Railroad Infrastructure. (Presented by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin)

L.D. 1094, S.P. 326

An Act To Increase Funding for Staffing for the Child Welfare Services Ombudsman Program. (Presented by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec)

L.D. 1095, S.P. 327

An Act Regarding Workers' Compensation Liens. (Presented by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec)

L.D. 1096, S.P. 328

An Act To Require That Comprehensive Substance Use Disorder Treatment Be Made Available to Maine's Incarcerated Population. (Presented by Senator SANBORN, L. of Cumberland)

L.D. 1097, S.P. 329

An Act To Protect Tenants from Sexual Harassment. (Presented by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock)

L.D. 1098, S.P. 330

An Act To Help Small Employers by Making the Minimum Wage Increase More Gradual in Nonurban Areas. (Presented by Senator KEIM of Oxford)

L.D. 1099, S.P. 331

An Act To Reduce Suicides and Violent Crimes by Requiring a 72-hour Waiting Period after the Sale of a Firearm. (Presented by Senator CARSON of Cumberland)

L.D. 1100, S.P. 332

An Act To Allow Discovery in the Event of a Lawsuit against a State Agency. (Presented by Senator CARSON of Cumberland)

L.D. 1101, H.P. 805

An Act To Amend the Shoreland Zoning Laws To Allow Pedestrian Walkways and Trails That Exclude Motorized Vehicles within the Shoreland Zone. (Presented by Representative DOUDERA of Camden)

L.D. 1102, H.P. 806

An Act To Remove a Reference to Constables in the Law Governing Execution of Process. (Presented by Representative STETKIS of Canaan)

L.D. 1103, H.P. 807

An Act To Increase the Number of Members of the Wild Blueberry Commission of Maine. (Presented by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town)

L.D. 1104, H.P. 808

An Act To Clarify the State's Commitments Concerning Certain Public Service Retirement Benefits. (Presented by Representative DUNPHY of Old Town)

L.D. 1105, H.P. 809

An Act To Allow Acupuncture Detoxification Specialists To Administer an Auricular Acupuncture Treatment for Addiction. (Presented by Representative PERRY of Calais)

L.D. 1106, H.P. 810

An Act To Improve the Health and Economic Security of Older Residents. (Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

L.D. 1107, H.P. 811

An Act To Promote Workforce Development and Community Integration. (Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

L.D. 1108, H.P. 812

Resolve, Establishing the Task Force on Alternatives to Incarceration for Maine Youth. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

L.D. 1109, H.P. 813

An Act Regarding the Size and Weight of All-terrain Vehicles, the Operation of Motor Vehicles on Designated All-terrain Vehicle Trails and the Operation of All-terrain Vehicles on Trails Posted with Size or Weight Limits. (Presented by Representative MARTIN of Sinclair)

L.D. 1110, H.P. 814

An Act To Establish a Local Option for Sales Tax. (Presented by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach)

L.D. 1111, H.P. 815

An Act Regarding Driver's License Suspensions for Criminal Negligence. (Presented by Representative PICKETT of Dixfield)

L.D. 1112, H.P. 816

An Act To Provide Employee Vaccination Compensation. (Presented by Representative FECTION of Augusta)

L.D. 1113, H.P. 817

An Act To Change Procedures of the Governor's Board on Executive Clemency and To Seal Marijuana Convictions. (Presented by Representative FECTION of Augusta)

L.D. 1114, S.P. 333

An Act To Humanely Treat Animals Trapped in Buildings. (Presented by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York)

L.D. 1115, S.P. 335

An Act To Create Fairness in the Redemption of Beverage Containers. (Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox)

L.D. 1116, S.P. 336

An Act To Strengthen the Lead Poisoning Control Act. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Senator LIBBY of Androscoggin)

L.D. 1117, S.P. 337

An Act To Encourage Turkey Hunting. (Presented by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec)

L.D. 1118, S.P. 338

An Act To Give the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Rule-making Authority To Establish a Bear Season Framework and Bag Limits. (Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis)

L.D. 1119, S.P. 339

An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Support Investments in Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in Municipalities and School Administrative Units. (Presented by Senator LUCHINI of Hancock)

L.D. 1120, S.P. 340

An Act To Protect Consumers from Price Gouging by Utility Companies. (Presented by Senator CHENETTE of York)

L.D. 1121, S.P. 341

An Act To Acknowledge Potable Water as a Necessity. (Presented by Senator CHENETTE of York)

L.D. 1122, S.P. 342

An Act To Expand Tax Increment Financing. (Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec)

L.D. 1123, S.P. 343

An Act Regarding Telecommunications Infrastructure Costs. (Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin)

L.D. 1124, S.P. 344

An Act To Amend the Maine Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant Process. (Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin)

L.D. 1125, S.P. 345

An Act To Amend MaineCare Reimbursement Related to Bad Debt and Bed-hold Days. (Presented by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin)

L.D. 1126, S.P. 346

Resolve, To Classify Employee Health Insurance as a Fixed Cost for MaineCare Reimbursement in Nursing Homes. (Presented by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin)

L.D. 1127, S.P. 347

An Act To Expand Community-based Solar Energy in Maine. (Presented by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland)

L.D. 1128, S.P. 348

An Act To Clarify Statutes Related to Establishing a Municipal Charter Commission. (Presented by Senator CLAXTON of Androscoggin)

L.D. 1129, H.P. 818

An Act To Clarify Certain Provisions of the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act. (Presented by Representative JORGENSEN of Portland)

L.D. 1130, H.P. 819

An Act To Promote Equity in the Elver Aquaculture Quota. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative FAULKINGHAM of Winter Harbor)

L.D. 1131, H.P. 820

An Act To Improve the Ability of Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities To Stay in Their Homes. (Presented by Representative MORALES of South Portland)

L.D. 1132, H.P. 821

An Act To Provide Additional Food Supplement Assistance for the Elderly and Persons with Disabilities. (Presented by Representative FAY of Raymond)

L.D. 1133, H.P. 822

An Act To Require That Hospital Liens Be Satisfied on a Just and Equitable Basis. (Presented by Representative WARREN of Hallowell)

L.D. 1134, H.P. 823

An Act To Set Aside Funds from Federal Block Grants for Certain Communities. (Presented by Representative MARTIN of Greene)

L.D. 1135, H.P. 824

Resolve, To Increase Funding for Assertive Community Treatment. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

L.D. 1136, H.P. 825

An Act To Provide Snow Sports Safety Information to Consumers. (Presented by Representative MASTRACCIO of Sanford)

L.D. 1137, H.P. 826

An Act To Clarify the Background Check Process for Certain Child Care Workers. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

L.D. 1138, H.P. 827

An Act To Ensure Health Insurance Coverage for Treatment for Childhood Postinfectious Neuroimmune Disorders Including Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated with Streptococcal Infections and Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome. (Presented by Representative BAILEY of Saco)

L.D. 1139, H.P. 828

An Act To Eliminate Restrictions on Capacity and the Number of Accounts for Net Energy Billing. (Presented by Representative HIGGINS of Dover-Foxcroft)

L.D. 1140, H.P. 829

An Act To Improve the Investigation and Prosecution of Sexual Assault Cases. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

L.D. 1141, H.P. 830

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation To Construct the Merrymeeting Trail from Topsham to Gardiner. (Presented by Representative WARREN of Hallowell)

L.D. 1142, H.P. 831

Resolve, To Expand Transportation Services for Seniors Who Are MaineCare Members. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative MAXMIN of Nobleboro)

L.D. 1143, H.P. 832

An Act To Exclude Tractor Pulling from Certain Rules Governing Motor Vehicle Racing. (Presented by Representative WADSWORTH of Hiram)

L.D. 1144, H.P. 833

An Act To Authorize Tribal Gaming. (Presented by Representative COLLINGS of Portland)

L.D. 1145, H.P. 834

An Act To Improve the Law Authorizing Municipalities To Allow Low-income Seniors To Defer Payment of Municipal Property Taxes. (Presented by Representative COOPER of Yarmouth)

L.D. 1146, H.P. 835

An Act To Ensure the Provision of Housing Navigation Services to Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities. (Presented by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell)

L.D. 1147, H.P. 836

An Act To Amend the Laws Regarding the Size and Weight of All-terrain Vehicles, the Operation of Motor Vehicles on Designated All-terrain Vehicle Trails and the Operation of All-terrain Vehicles on Trails Posted with Size or Weight Limits and To Update and Improve Funding Mechanisms for All-terrain Vehicle Trail Development and Maintenance. (Presented by Representative STEARNS of Guilford)

L.D. 1148, H.P. 837

An Act Regarding the Costs Incurred by Municipalities in the Administration of Aquaculture Leases. (Presented by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell)

L.D. 1149, H.P. 838

An Act To Strengthen Resource Sharing and Access to Library Materials among Maine Libraries. (Presented by Representative NADEAU of Winslow)

L.D. 1150, H.P. 839

An Act To Amend the Maine Tree Growth Tax Law To Encourage Public Access. (Presented by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake)

L.D. 1151, H.P. 840

An Act To Ensure Consistency in Commercial Real Estate Law by Restoring Due Diligence Responsibility to the Buyer. (Presented by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake)

L.D. 1152, H.P. 841

An Act To Make the Maine Educational Assessment Optional for Kindergarten to Grade 8. (Presented by Representative HANDY of Lewiston)

L.D. 1153, H.P. 842

An Act To Provide Flexibility in the Treatment of Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism. (Presented by Representative HANDY of Lewiston)

L.D. 1154, H.P. 843

An Act To Increase the Betting Limit on Games of Chance at Fairs and Festivals and To Expand Allowed Operation. (Presented by Representative HANDY of Lewiston)

L.D. 1155, H.P. 844

An Act To Protect Patients and the Prudent Layperson Standard. (Presented by Speaker GIDEON of Freeport)

L.D. 1156, H.P. 845

An Act To Create the Savings Account Program for Small Businesses. (Presented by Representative STEWART of Presque Isle)

L.D. 1157, H.P. 846

An Act To Fix Maine's Roads and Bridges by Establishing a Seasonal Gasoline Tax Adjustment. (Presented by Representative McLEAN of Gorham)

L.D. 1158, H.P. 847

An Act To Provide Property Tax Relief. (Presented by Representative TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

L.D. 1159, H.P. 848

Resolve, To End Hunger in Maine by 2030. (Presented by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop)

L.D. 1160, H.P. 849

An Act To Transfer the Kim Wallace Adaptive Equipment Loan Program Fund to the Office of the Treasurer of State. (Presented by Representative SHARPE of Durham)

L.D. 1161, S.P. 349

An Act To Restrict the Use of Mercury in Dental Fillings in State-funded Dental Procedures. (Presented by Senator CARPENTER of Aroostook)

L.D. 1162, S.P. 350

An Act To Further Expand Drug Price Transparency. (Presented by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

L.D. 1163, S.P. 351

An Act Regarding Energy, Utilities and Technology. (Presented by Senator LAWRENCE of York)

L.D. 1164, S.P. 352

An Act To Improve the Educational Opportunity Tax Credit. (Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec)

L.D. 1165, S.P. 353

An Act To Support the Operation of Fixed-wing Air Medical Transport in Northern Maine. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

L.D. 1166, S.P. 354

An Act To Require Public Transit To Be Accessible to Blind or Visually Impaired Riders. (Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

L.D. 1167, H.P. 850

An Act To Increase Consumption of Maine Foods in State Institutions. (Presented by Representative HICKMAN of Winthrop)

L.D. 1168, H.P. 851

Resolve, To Improve Maine's Response to Childhood Trauma. (Presented by Representative HEAD of Bethel)

L.D. 1169, S.P. 355

An Act To Provide Ready Access to Defibrillators in Businesses and Pharmacies. (Presented by Senator DESCHAMBAULT of York)

L.D. 1170, S.P. 356

An Act To Raise the Floor of State Education Funding. (Presented by Senator LAWRENCE of York)

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