

# *Weekly* **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

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## **129th LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

### **BILLS ENACTED**

#### **Public Laws**

Became law without the Governor's Signature  
Sunday, May 26, 2019

**Ch. 155** - An Act To Clarify Guardianship over Detainees under 18 Years of Age Regarding Mental Health Care. (H.P. 1081, L.D. 1479)

Signed by the Governor  
Tuesday, May 28, 2019

**Ch. 156** - An Act Authorizing Earned Employee Leave. (S.P. 110, L.D. 369)

**Ch. 157** - An Act To Ensure the Integrity of For-profit Colleges and Universities. (S.P. 30, L.D. 103)

**Ch. 158** - An Act To Strengthen Testing for Lead in School Drinking Water. (S.P. 40, L.D. 153)

**Ch. 159** - An Act To Provide Additional Flexibility in the Municipal Property Tax Assistance Programs for Seniors. (S.P. 247, L.D. 811)

**Ch. 160** - An Act To Update and Amend the Finance Authority of Maine Act. (H.P. 779, L.D. 1056)

**Ch. 161** - An Act To Amend the Tax Expenditure Review Process. (H.P. 792, L.D. 1069)

**Ch. 162** - An Act To Ensure the Provision of Medical Assessments for Youth in Foster Care. (H.P. 999, L.D. 1378)

**Ch. 163** - An Act To Improve Enforcement in the Elver Fishery. (H.P. 1107, L.D. 1514)

**Ch. 164** - An Act To Change the Deadline for Submission of the Annual Report of the Public Advocate. (S.P. 502, L.D. 1567)

Signed by the Governor  
Wednesday, May 29, 2019

**Ch. 165** - An Act To Prohibit the Provision of Conversion Therapy to Minors by Certain Licensed Professionals. (H.P. 755, L.D. 1025)

Signed by the Governor  
Thursday, May 30, 2019

**Ch. 166** - An Act To Transfer the Kim Wallace Adaptive Equipment Loan Program Fund to the Office of the Treasurer of State. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 849, L.D. 1160)

**Ch. 167** - An Act Regarding Licenses for the Sale of Liquor for On-premises Consumption. (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 516, L.D. 1619)

**Ch. 168** - An Act To Support Maine Craft Distillers. (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 294, L.D. 1015)

**Ch. 169** - An Act To Address Electricity Costs of Agricultural Fairs. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 860, L.D. 1186)

**Ch. 170** - An Act To Require That Nonmotorized Carriages Be Equipped with Reflective Tape and Lights. (H.P. 161, L.D. 198)

**Ch. 171** - An Act To Ensure Protection of Patients in Medical Reviews by Health Insurance Carriers. (S.P. 61, L.D. 249)

**Ch. 172** - An Act To Authorize Public Schools To Periodically Test for Radon. (H.P. 802, L.D. 1079)

**Ch. 173** - An Act To Amend the Date by Which an Applicant for Funds under the Local Road Assistance Program Must Provide Certification to the Department of Transportation. (H.P. 1106, L.D. 1513)

**Ch. 174** - An Act To Amend the Definition of "Subdivision" in the Laws Governing Planning and Land Use Regulation for Subdivisions and a Provision Excepting the Division of a New or Existing Structure from Those Laws Beginning July 1, 2018. (S.P. 172, L.D. 550)

**Ch. 175** - An Act Regarding the Cancellation of Subscription Services. (H.P. 576, L.D. 771)

**Ch. 176** - An Act To Clarify Maine's Protection from Abuse Statutes. (H.P. 733, L.D. 978)

**Ch. 177** - An Act Regarding Filing Fees in Transmission Line Proceedings. (S.P. 491, L.D. 1556)

**Ch. 178** - An Act To Amend the Law Prohibiting the Denial by Health Insurers of Referrals by Out-of-network Providers. (S.P. 372, L.D. 1197)

Signed by the Governor  
Thursday, May 23, 2019

**Ch. 179** - An Act To Ban Discretionary Clauses in Disability Income Insurance Policies. (S.P. 321, L.D. 1089)

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Thursday, May 30, 2019

**Ch. 180** - An Act To Clarify Conflict of Interest Requirements for the Board of Environmental Protection. (H.P. 1179, L.D. 1644)

**Ch. 181** - An Act To Require the Department of Environmental Protection To Provide Natural Resources Protection Act Permits to Affected Municipalities. (H.P. 955, L.D. 1320)

**Ch. 182** - An Act To Protect Medical Payments Coverage for Consumers. (H.P. 387, L.D. 530)

**Ch. 183** - An Act To Allow an Attorney To Use a Photocopied Driver's License To Consummate a Financial Transaction. (H.P. 326, L.D. 417)

**Ch. 184** - An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Appointees to the Maine Labor Relations Board. (H.P. 241, L.D. 317)

**Ch. 185** - An Act To Ban Telephone Solicitations Using an Artificial or Prerecorded Voice and Enhance Caller Identification. (S.P. 89, L.D. 277)

**Ch. 186** - An Act Regarding the Membership of the Wild Blueberry Commission of Maine. (H.P. 127, L.D. 145)

**Ch. 187** - An Act To Allow Chiropractic Internships. (H.P. 623, L.D. 849)

#### **Private and Special Laws**

Signed by the Governor  
Thursday, May 30, 2019

**Ch. 7** - An Act To Allow the City of Augusta To Adjust the Definition of "Original Assessed Value" for the City of Augusta's Performance Food Group Municipal Tax Increment Financing District and To Validate the Assessment, Commitment and Collection of Property Taxes Dedicated for the District for the Fiscal Years 2018-19 and 2019-20. (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 504, L.D. 1585)

#### **Resolves**

Became law without the Governor's Signature  
Sunday, May 26, 2019

**Ch. 36** - Resolve, To Require the Department of Environmental Protection To Study the Establishment of a Product Stewardship Program for Mattresses. (H.P. 515, L.D. 710)

**Ch. 37** - Resolve, To Direct the Department of Administrative and Financial Services To Study the Costs and Benefits of Telework to the State and Its Employees. (H.P. 746, L.D. 1004)

Signed by the Governor

Tuesday, May 28, 2019

**Ch. 38** - Resolve, To Name the Route 7 Bridge in Corinna in Honor of PFC Paul Earl Sudsbury. (S.P. 451, L.D. 1471)

Signed by the Governor

Thursday, May 30, 2019

**Ch. 39** - Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 97: Private Non-Medical Institution Services and Appendices B, C, D, E and F, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1102, L.D. 1510)

**Ch. 40** - Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 28: Allowances for Rehabilitative and Community Support Services for Children with Cognitive Impairments and Functional Limitations, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1211, L.D. 1696)

**Ch. 41** - Resolve, To Review Asset Limits for Social Service Programs. (H.P. 570, L.D. 765)

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Thursday, May 23, 2019

**Ch. 42** - Resolve, To Support Municipal Recycling Programs. (H.P. 1041, L.D. 1431)

(Chaptered copies of the above measures may be obtained from the Engrossing Department, Room 106, State House, 7 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0007, Ph. 207-287-1324.)

### **BILLS PRINTED AS OF FRIDAY, MAY 31, 2019**

**L.D. 1782, H.P. 1267**

An Act To Amend the Motorcycle Rider Education and Driver Education Laws. (Presented by Representative WHITE of Waterville)

**L.D. 1783, H.P. 1268**

An Act To Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws. (Presented by Representative BRYANT of Windham)

**L.D. 1784, H.P. 1269**

An Act To Increase Land Permit by Rule Application Fees. (Presented by Representative BLUME of York)

**L.D. 1785, H.P. 1270**

An Act To Amend Certain Education Laws. (Presented by Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor)

**L.D. 1786, H.P. 1271**

An Act To Update Maine's Sales Prohibition on Upholstered Furniture Treated with Flame-retardant Chemicals. (Presented by Representative FAY of Raymond)

**L.D. 1787, S.P. 603**

An Act To Clarify and Enhance Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Laws. (Presented by Senator DILL of Penobscot)

**L.D. 1788, S.P. 604**

An Act To Eliminate Online Burn Permit Fees for All Areas of the State. (Presented by Senator DILL of Penobscot)

**L.D. 1789, S.P. 605**

An Act To Restore the Authority of the Board of Environmental Protection. (Governor's Bill) (Presented by Senator FOLEY of York)

**L.D. 1790, H.P. 1272**

An Act To Amend the Law To Protect the Confidentiality of State and Local Government Employees' Private Information. (Presented by Representative McCREIGHT of Harpswell)

**L.D. 1791, H.P. 1273**

An Act To Amend Licensure for Professional Engineers. (Presented by Representative STETKIS of Canaan)

**L.D. 1792, H.P. 1274**

An Act To Ensure Compliance with Federal Family First Prevention Services Legislation. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

**L.D. 1793, S.P. 606**

An Act To Update the Laws Governing Personal Vehicle Rental Coverage. (Governor's Bill) (Presented by Senator SANBORN, H. of Cumberland)

**L.D. 1794, S.P. 607**

An Act To Amend the Service Fee for Child Support Services. (Presented by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot)

**L.D. 1795, S.P. 608**

An Act To Clarify Requirements for Assisted Living Programs Regarding Fire Safety Inspections. (Presented by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot)

**L.D. 1796, H.P. 1275**

Resolve, To Study Transmission Grid Reliability and Rate Stability in Northern Maine. (Presented by Representative STEWART of Presque Isle)

**L.D. 1797, H.P. 1276**

An Act To Amend the Advance Deposit Wagering Laws. (Presented by Representative DILLINGHAM of Oxford)

**L.D. 1798, H.P. 1279**

An Act To Amend the Maine Tax Laws. (Presented by Representative TIPPING of Orono)

**L.D. 1799, H.P. 1280**

Resolve, Authorizing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry To Convey Certain Land in the Little Moose Unit of Moosehead Junction Township. (Presented by Representative STEARNS of Guilford)

**L.D. 1800, H.P. 1281**

An Act To Modernize the E-9-1-1 Laws To Include Text Messaging and Other Methods of Contacting E-9-1-1. (Presented by Representative BERRY of Bowdoinham)

**L.D. 1801, H.P. 1282**

An Act To Ensure Compliance with Federal Requirements for Background Checks of Certain Department of Health and Human Services Employees. (Presented by Representative HYMANSON of York)

**L.D. 1802, H.P. 1283**

An Act To Make Minor Changes and Corrections to Statutes Administered by or Concerning the Department of Environmental Protection. (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington)

**L.D. 1803, H.P. 1284**

An Act To Update the Laws Regarding Death and Marriage Records. (Presented by Representative HYMANSON of York)

**L.D. 1804, S.P. 610**

An Act Regarding the Baiting of Deer. (Presented by Senator DAVIS of Piscataquis)

**L.D. 1805, H.P. 1285**

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Military Leave for Officials and State Employees. (Presented by Representative STEWART of Presque Isle)

**L.D. 1806, H.P. 1286**

An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Veterans' Services. (Presented by Representative STEWART of Presque Isle)

**L.D. 1807, H.P. 1287**

An Act To Amend Certain Laws Related to Members of the Military and the Maine National Guard. (Presented by Representative STEWART of Presque Isle)

**L.D. 1808, H.P. 1288**

An Act To Provide a Sales Tax Exemption for Certain Nonprofit Charitable Organizations. (Presented by Representative STEWART of Presque Isle)

**L.D. 1809, H.P. 1289**

Resolve, To Increase Funding for Evidence-based Therapies for Treating Emotional and Behavioral Problems in Children. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

**L.D. 1810, S.P. 611**

An Act To Amend the Jurisdiction of Certain Reviews Conducted Pursuant to the State Government Evaluation Act. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business pursuant to Joint Order 2019, S.P. 587.)

**L.D. 1811, S.P. 612**

An Act To Enhance Personal and Public Safety by Requiring Evaluations of and Judicial Hearings for Persons in Protective Custody Regarding Risk of Harm and Restricting Access to Dangerous Weapons. (Presented by Senator KEIM of Oxford)

(Copies of the Bills may be obtained from the Document Room, First Floor, State House, Augusta, Maine 04333-0002 - Ph: 207-287-1408. Bill text, bill status and roll call information are available on the Internet at <http://legislature.maine.gov/LawMakerWeb/search.asp>. The Weekly Legislative Report is also available on the Internet at the House home page at <http://legislature.maine.gov/house/house/> under the "Documents" tab.)

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