

Weekly **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

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131st LEGISLATURE
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Public Laws

Became law without the Governor's Signature
Sunday, June 4, 2023

Ch. 126 - An Act to Ensure Accountability for Workplace Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault by Removing Certain Intentional Torts from Workers' Compensation Exemptions. (H.P. 28, L.D. 53)

Signed by the Governor
Monday, June 5, 2023

Ch. 127 - An Act to Allow the Deferral of a Moose Hunting Permit If More than One Permit Is Awarded Within the Same Household. (H.P. 298, L.D. 481)

Ch. 128 - An Act to Allow Clerks to Issue Absentee Ballots After the 3rd Business Day Before Election Day to Voters with a Physical or Mental Disability and Certain Voters' Caregivers. (H.P. 552, L.D. 886)

Ch. 129 - An Act Concerning Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Data Collection in Health Care Facilities. (H.P. 603, L.D. 956)

Ch. 130 - An Act to Increase Access to Oral Health Care by Expanding the Maine Dental Education Loan Program. (H.P. 804, L.D. 1256)

Ch. 131 - An Act to Authorize Municipalities to Allow Firefighters to Have Increased Lighting on Their Personal Vehicles. (H.P. 821, L.D. 1296)

Ch. 132 - An Act to Clarify the Laws Regarding Delegating Authority for Services Performed by Emergency Medical Services Personnel or Others as a Medical Assistant. (S.P. 563, L.D. 1396)

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Thursday, June 8, 2023

Ch. 133 - An Act to Address Recovery Residence Participation in the Municipal General Assistance Program. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 51, L.D. 81)

Ch. 134 - An Act to Add Gray Squirrels and Red Squirrels to the Species List for the Open Training Season for Hunting Dogs. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 336, L.D. 531)

Ch. 135 - An Act to Update Provisions of the Department of Corrections Laws Regarding Operation and Administration of Jails, Women's Services and Juvenile Detention. (H.P. 8, L.D. 4)

Ch. 136 - An Act to Amend the Maine Juvenile Code. (S.P. 31, L.D. 39)

Ch. 137 - An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Water Supply Protection Funds. (H.P. 132, L.D. 211)

Ch. 138 - An Act to Support Manufacturers Whose Products Contain Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances. (H.P. 138, L.D. 217)

Ch. 139 - An Act Regarding Appeals of License or Permit Decisions of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection. (H.P. 140, L.D. 219)

Ch. 140 - An Act to Add Electric Bicycles to the Electric Vehicle Rebate Program. (S.P. 122, L.D. 256)

Ch. 141 - An Act to Clarify the Process for Admission to the Bar on Motion. (H.P. 169, L.D. 264)

Ch. 142 - An Act to Authorize the Use of Tax Increment Financing Funds for Constructing or Renovating Local Central Administrative Offices. (H.P. 184, L.D. 286)

Ch. 143 - An Act to Expand Funding Sources Within the Public Utilities Commission for Intervenor and Participant Funding. (H.P. 246, L.D. 395)

Ch. 144 - An Act to Preserve the 207 Area Code and Impede So-called Robocalling. (H.P. 247, L.D. 396)

Ch. 145 - An Act to Clarify the Provision of Notice of Proposed Rate Increases to Public Utility Customers. (S.P. 195, L.D. 414)

Ch. 146 - An Act to Improve Collaboration Between Mandatory Reporters and Law Enforcement in the Investigation of Alleged Child Abuse and Neglect. (H.P. 291, L.D. 474)

Ch. 147 - An Act to Designate the Department of Health and Human Services as the Implementing Department of the Lead-safe Housing Registry. (H.P. 307, L.D. 490)

Resolves

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Monday, June 5, 2023

Ch. 25 - Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 119: Motor Vehicle Fuel Volatility Requirements, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1064, L.D. 1652)

Ch. 26 - Resolve, to Require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to Develop a Plan for Communication Regarding Certain Municipal Regulation. (H.P. 308, L.D. 491)

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Thursday, June 8, 2023

Ch. 27 - Resolve, Directing the University of Maine System to Study the Barriers to Use of Cross-laminated Timber. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 547, L.D. 881)

Ch. 28 - Resolve, Directing the Maine Children's Cabinet Early Childhood Advisory Council to Study Incentives for the Provision of Child Care in Maine. (H.P. 71, L.D. 103)

Ch. 29 - Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Public Safety to Establish a Stakeholder Group to Examine the Responsibilities, Fees and Duties of the Technical Building Codes and Standards Board. (H.P. 128, L.D. 207)

Ch. 30 - Resolve, Naming Portions of a Highway in St. George. (H.P. 233, L.D. 382)

Ch. 31 - Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 117: Rule Regarding the Duties of School Counselors and School Social Workers, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Education. (H.P. 245, L.D. 394)

Ch. 32 - Resolve, to Evaluate a Vehicle-to-grid Pilot Project Using Electric School Buses. (H.P. 324, L.D. 519)

(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, JUNE 9, 2023

L.D. 2008, S.P. 829

Resolve, to Remove the Prohibition Against Live Plants in State-owned Buildings. (Presented by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland)

L.D. 2009, S.P. 830

An Act to Prevent Abandonment of Children and Adults with Disabilities in Hospitals. (Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

(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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