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Friday, February 23, 2024

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

BILLS ENACTED

Public Laws

Became law without the Governor's Signature Sunday, February 18, 2024

Ch. 502 - An Act to Support Municipal Franchise Agreements. (H.P. 1264, L.D. 1967)

Signed by the Governor Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Ch. 503 - An Act to Make Technical Updates to the Maine Uniform Securities Act. (S.P. 848, L.D. 2020)

Ch. 504 - An Act to Clarify the Laws Regarding Pharmaceutical Product Stewardship. (S.P. 849, L.D. 2021)

Ch. 505 - An Act to Address Identified Gaps in the Laws Governing Erosion Control and the Natural Resources Protection Act. (S.P. 862, L.D. 2034)

(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, FEBRUARY 23, 2024

L.D. 2214, H.P. 1420

An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, General Fund and Other Funds and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2025. (EMERGENCY) (Governor's Bill) (Presented by Representative SACHS of Freeport)

L.D. 2215, H.P. 1421

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Right to Know Advisory Committee Regarding Public Records Exceptions. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 1, section 411, subsection 6, paragraph G.)

L.D. 2216, H.P. 1422

An Act to Amend the Start Date of the September Upland Game Season. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Resolve 2023, chapter 36, section 3.)

L.D. 2217, S.P. 948

An Act to Strengthen the Maine Veterans' Homes with Increased and Ongoing Funding. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

L.D. 2218, H.P. 1423

An Act to Remove the Age-related Statutory Prerequisite for Sealing Criminal History Record Information. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary pursuant to Resolve 2023, chapter 103, section 7.)

L.D. 2219, S.P. 949

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 4, section 1804, subsection 3.)

L.D. 2220, S.P. 950

An Act to Prohibit Insurers from Using Credit Information as a Factor in Certain Insurance Practices. (Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec)

L.D. 2221, H.P. 1424

Resolve, Directing the State Board of Education to Amend Chapter 115: The Credentialing of Education Personnel, a Major Substantive Rule of the State Board of Education. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs pursuant to Resolve 2023, chapter 54, section 2.)

L.D. 2222, H.P. 1425

An Act Establishing a State Calendar for the State of Maine. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government pursuant to Resolve 2023, chapter 91, section 2.)

L.D. 2223, S.P. 951

Resolve, to Direct the Department of Health and Human Services to Amend Rules and Establish a Study Group Related to Funding and Reimbursement for Mental Health Crisis Resolution Services. (Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

L.D. 2224, S.P. 953

An Act to Strengthen Public Safety by Improving Maine's Firearm Laws and Mental Health System. (Governor's Bill) (Presented by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin)

L.D. 2225, H.P. 1426

An Act to Provide Funding to Rebuild Infrastructure Affected by Extreme Inland and Coastal Weather Events. (EMERGENCY) (Governor's Bill) (Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

L.D. 2226, H.P. 1427

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 213: Rules for the Salmonella Enteritidis Risk Reduction and Surveillance Program for Commercial Egg-type Flocks, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. (EMERGENCY) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 and approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council.)

L.D. 2227, H.P. 1428

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 80: Reduction of Toxics in Packaging, a Latefiled Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection. (EMERGENCY) (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 and approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council.)

(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 <u>http://legislature.maine.gov/LawMakerWeb/search.asp</u>. The Weekly Legislative Report is also available on the Internet at the House home page at <u>http://legislature.maine.gov/house/house/</u> under the "Documents" tab.)

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