

Weekly **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

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132nd LEGISLATURE
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Public Laws

Became law without the Governor's Signature
Sunday, June 15, 2025

Ch. 307 - An Act Regarding the Licensing of Assisted Living Facilities. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 818, L.D. 1243)

Ch. 308 - An Act Regarding Temperature Standards for School Buildings. (S.P. 24, L.D. 11)

Ch. 309 - An Act to Protect the Right to Food. (S.P. 50, L.D. 124)

Ch. 310 - An Act to Expand Opportunities to Invest Municipal Tax Increment Financing Revenues. (H.P. 118, L.D. 185)

Ch. 311 - An Act to Prohibit Deceptive Pricing in the Rental of Short-term Lodging and in the Sale of Tickets. (H.P. 268, L.D. 414)

Ch. 312 - An Act Regarding Eligibility to Apply for a Department of Education Diploma. (H.P. 396, L.D. 628)

Ch. 313 - An Act to Allow a Home Distiller to Distill and Share Homemade Spirituous Liquor. (H.P. 399, L.D. 631)

Ch. 314 - An Act to Certify Chiropractic Assistants Who Perform X-rays as Chiropractic Radiographers. (H.P. 417, L.D. 649)

Ch. 315 - An Act to Regulate Alcoholic Beverage Competitions. (H.P. 662, L.D. 1033)

Ch. 316 - An Act to Change the Professional Title and Identification of Physician Assistants to Physician Associates. (H.P. 771, L.D. 1166)

Ch. 317 - An Act to Include Qualified Out-of-state Electric Vehicle Providers and Clarify Provisions Regarding Electric Bicycles Under the Electric Vehicle Fund. (H.P. 833, L.D. 1258)

Ch. 318 - An Act to Require Continuing Education for Licensed Architects. (H.P. 915, L.D. 1393)

Ch. 319 - An Act to Promote Artisans and the Creative Economy. (H.P. 954, L.D. 1462)

Ch. 320 - An Act to Establish the Maine Charter School Commission as a Public Instrumentality of the State. (S.P. 671, L.D. 1718)

Ch. 321 - An Act to Require the Department of Environmental Protection to Provide Certain Information Regarding Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances to the Public and Private Drinking Water Well Owners. (H.P. 1197, L.D. 1786)

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Ch. 322 - An Act to Amend Eligibility Criteria Under the Maine Solid Waste Diversion Grant Program. (S.P. 695, L.D. 1793)

Ch. 323 - An Act to Increase the Supply of Child Care Services Through the Use of Contracts. (S.P. 682, L.D. 1736)

Ch. 324 - An Act to Develop Maine's Credentialed Workforce. (H.P. 1094, L.D. 1653)

Ch. 325 - An Act to Strengthen the Maine Development Foundation. (H.P. 1000, L.D. 1516)

Ch. 326 - An Act to Amend Certain Provisions of the Drug Laws Related to Cocaine Base. (H.P. 889, L.D. 1366)

Ch. 327 - An Act Regarding the Required State of Mind Relating to Robbery. (H.P. 751, L.D. 1146)

Ch. 328 - An Act to Increase Fees Paid to Registers of Deeds. (S.P. 144, L.D. 358)

Ch. 329 - An Act Regarding the Permitting of Projects Affecting Public-use Airports Under the Natural Resources Protection Act and the Site Location of Development Laws. (S.P. 74, L.D. 138)

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Tuesday, June 17, 2025

Ch. 330 - An Act to Clarify the Release of Information by the Department of Health and Human Services in the Law Regarding Automatic Referrals. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 575, L.D. 889)

Ch. 331 - An Act to Amend Election Polling Place Candidate Restrictions. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1137, L.D. 1702)

Ch. 332 - An Act to Improve the Coordination of Health Care for Minors in State Care. (H.P. 48, L.D. 84)

Ch. 333 - An Act to Amend and Simplify Certain Wildlife Laws. (H.P. 60, L.D. 95)

Ch. 334 - An Act to Authorize the Formation of Emergency Medical Services Districts. (H.P. 109, L.D. 176)

Ch. 335 - An Act Regarding Reimbursements by Health Insurance Carriers or Pharmacy Benefits Managers to Pharmacies. (H.P. 113, L.D. 180)

Ch. 336 - An Act to Address the Effect of Changes to Federal Income Tax Laws on Maine Income Tax Laws. (H.P. 144, L.D. 221)

Ch. 337 - An Act to Expand Municipal Volunteer Program Eligibility Requirements in the Municipal Property Tax Assistance Laws. (H.P. 194, L.D. 294)

Ch. 338 - An Act Regarding the Regulation of Significant Vernal Pools Under the Natural Resources Protection Act. (H.P. 326, L.D. 497)

Ch. 339 - An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Licensing of Certain Types of Establishments and Professions by the Department of Health and Human Services. (S.P. 325, L.D. 767)

Ch. 340 - An Act Regarding the Approval of Transmission Lines. (H.P. 517, L.D. 810)

Ch. 341 - An Act to Amend the Law Allowing Individuals Subject to Pretrial or Presentence Incarceration to Be Credited Time for Participation in Work Projects Within a Jail. (H.P. 596, L.D. 931)

Ch. 342 - An Act to Create Clarity in the Laws Regarding Property Tax Abatement Appeals. (H.P. 860, L.D. 1325)

Ch. 343 - An Act to Prevent the Introduction or Transfer of Invasive Fish Species in Inland Waters of the State. (S.P. 632, L.D. 1548)

Ch. 344 - An Act to Require Law Enforcement Agencies to Adopt Written Policies Regarding Sex Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation. (H.P. 1130, L.D. 1695)

Ch. 345 - An Act to Require Reporting Regarding County Jail Boards of Visitors. (H.P. 1152, L.D. 1725)

Ch. 346 - An Act to Ensure Data Reporting for Temporary Nurse Agencies. (S.P. 687, L.D. 1769)

Ch. 347 - An Act to Clarify Available Relief for the Protection of At-risk Children. (S.P. 714, L.D. 1832)

Ch. 348 - An Act to Amend the Laws Affecting Insurance. (S.P. 720, L.D. 1837)

Ch. 349 - An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the State-designated Agency Advocating for Individuals with Serious Mental Illness. (S.P. 736, L.D. 1866)

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Ch. 350 - An Act to Provide Protection from Unfair Parking Tickets on Lots Accessible to the Public. (S.P. 696, L.D. 1794)

Ch. 351 - An Act to Require the Removal from a Property Tax Lien the Name of a Previous Owner Who Paid Prorated Property Taxes. (H.P. 1266, L.D. 1895)

Ch. 352 - An Act Allowing the Department of Corrections to Offset Some of the Costs of Technology Provided to Residents of Correctional Facilities. (H.P. 9, L.D. 45)

Ch. 353 - An Act to Improve Notifications Related to Substance-exposed Infants. (H.P. 89, L.D. 156)

Ch. 354 - An Act to Amend the Law Regulating the Resale of Tickets. (S.P. 403, L.D. 913)

Ch. 355 - An Act to Amend the Law Governing Items Identified as Prison Contraband. (H.P. 595, L.D. 930)

Ch. 356 - An Act to Clarify the Qualifying Use of Tax Increment Financing for Extension of a Development District. (H.P. 673, L.D. 1044)

Ch. 357 - An Act to Limit the Liability of Gun Shops That Provide Firearm Hold Agreements. (H.P. 779, L.D. 1174)

Ch. 358 - An Act to Expand Direct Health Care Service Arrangements. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 995, L.D. 1511)

Ch. 359 - An Act to Change the Laws Regarding Real Estate Appraisers. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 998, L.D. 1514)

Ch. 360 - An Act to Implement Additional Criteria and Processes for the Supervised Community Confinement Program. (H.P. 1119, L.D. 1684)

Ch. 361 - An Act Regarding the Bind-over and Detention of Juveniles. (H.P. 6, L.D. 42)

Ch. 362 - An Act to Clarify Information Sharing Between the Department of Health and Human Services and Schools with Respect to Investigations of Child Abuse or Neglect. (H.P. 64, L.D. 99)

Ch. 363 - An Act to Clarify Procedures for When a Candidate Withdraws from an Election Determined by Ranked-choice Voting or When a Candidate Dies or Becomes Disqualified in an Election Determined by Ranked-choice Voting. (S.P. 401, L.D. 911)

Ch. 364 - An Act to Allow Residential Use Development in Commercial Districts. (H.P. 644, L.D. 997)

Ch. 365 - An Act to Ensure Affordability and Stability in Residential Housing and in Manufactured Housing Communities. (H.P. 1184, L.D. 1765)

Ch. 366 - An Act to Require the Board of Counseling Professionals Licensure, Board of Dental Practice, Board of Speech, Audiology and Hearing, Board of Occupational Therapy Practice, State Board of Social Worker Licensure, Board of Osteopathic Licensure and Board of Licensure in Medicine to Obtain Fingerprint-based Federal Bureau of Investigation Criminal Background Checks for Initial Applicants and Licensees Seeking Compact Privileges. (H.P. 1238, L.D. 1854)

Ch. 367 - An Act Regarding the Regulation of Tobacco. (H.P. 1297, L.D. 1938)

Private and Special Laws

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Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Ch. 9 - An Act to Establish the Toddy Pond Watershed Management District. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 350, L.D. 531)

Ch. 10 - An Act to Establish the Alamoosook Lake Watershed Management District. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 348, L.D. 529)

Resolves

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Ch. 77 - Resolve, to Convene a Working Group to Evaluate Potential Regulation of the Vehicle Towing Industry and the Impact on State Agencies and Industries. (S.P. 572, L.D. 1377)

Ch. 78 - Resolve, Directing the Secretary of State to Develop Recommendations for a Multiyear Registration System for National Car Rental Companies. (H.P. 912, L.D. 1390)

Ch. 79 - Resolve, Directing the Department of Labor to Report the Findings of the Indoor Air Quality Advisory Group. (H.P. 929, L.D. 1407)

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Ch. 80 - Resolve, Directing the Maine Redevelopment Land Bank Authority to Take Appropriate Actions to Identify Opportunities for the Beneficial Reuse of the Buildings and Land Commonly Known as the Bangor Mall. (S.P. 390, L.D. 901)

Ch. 81 - Resolve, Directing the Department of Corrections to Convene a Working Group to Examine the Establishment of a Program to Award Earned Time Credit for Educational Achievement to Persons Who Are Incarcerated. (H.P. 1322, L.D. 1979)

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Ch. 82 - Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to Examine Issues Related to Public Access to Privately Owned Lands. (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 538, L.D. 1308)

Ch. 83 - Resolve, to Study Pathways for Tribal Law Enforcement Officers to Receive a Waiver for the Maine Criminal Justice Academy Basic Law Enforcement Training Requirement. (H.P. 1294, L.D. 1933)

Ch. 84 - Resolve, Directing the Maine Education Policy Research Institute and the Department of Education to Recommend Changes to the Essential Programs and Services Funding Formula. (H.P. 218, L.D. 318)

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Ch. 85 - Resolve, Directing the Department of Economic and Community Development to Convene a Working Group to Review the Process of Setting Impact Fees. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 821, L.D. 1246)

Ch. 86 - Resolve, to Design a Maine Home Energy Navigator and Coaching Pilot Program. (H.P. 1311, L.D. 1967)

Ch. 87 - Resolve, to Convene a Working Group to Study the Use of Oral Fluid Testing in Determining Intoxication of Drivers, Aircraft Operators and Hunters. (S.P. 463, L.D. 1135)

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