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## 132nd LEGISLATURE

### FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

**LEGISLATURE ADJOURNED ON JUNE 25, 2025**

## ***END OF SESSION ISSUE***

### **BILLS ENACTED**

#### **Public Laws**

Signed by the Governor  
Friday, June 27, 2025

**Ch. 428** - An Act to Clarify Licensing Jurisdiction for Manufactured Housing Communities. (H.P. 614, L.D. 949)

**Ch. 429** - An Act Regarding the Authority to Transport Prisoners Confined in Jail and the Use of Physical Force with Respect to Prisoners and Persons Who Have Been Arrested. (H.P. 1145, L.D. 1710)

**Ch. 430** - An Act to Reduce Costs and Increase Customer Protections for the State's Net Energy Billing Programs. (H.P. 1188, L.D. 1777)

**Ch. 431** - An Act to Establish a Minimum Age at Which Conduct Constitutes a Juvenile Crime and to Confer Jurisdiction to the Juvenile Courts Over Any Criminal Offense Under Maine Law Committed by a Juvenile. (H.P. 1233, L.D. 1849)

Signed by the Governor  
Tuesday, July 1, 2025

**Ch. 432** - An Act to Update References to the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986 Contained in the Maine Revised Statutes. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 12, L.D. 48)

**Ch. 433** - An Act to Amend the Workers' Compensation Laws by Extending Indefinitely the Presumption Applying to Law Enforcement Officers, Corrections Officers, E-9-1-1 Dispatchers, Firefighters and Emergency Medical Services Persons Diagnosed with Post-traumatic Stress Disorder. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 46, L.D. 82)

**Ch. 434** - An Act to Fund Collective Bargaining Agreements with Judicial Branch Employees. (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 794, L.D. 1986) (Governor's Bill)

**Ch. 435** - An Act to Address Funding Needs for State Employees Affected by Federal Funding Disruptions. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1336, L.D. 1988) (Governor's Bill)

**Ch. 436** - An Act Regarding the First Judicial District and the District Court Locations in the Judicial Divisions of Androscoggin and Western Aroostook. (S.P. 33, L.D. 20)

**Ch. 437** - An Act to Update the Laws Governing Education in the Unorganized Territory. (S.P. 35, L.D. 22)

**Ch. 438** - An Act to Amend the Law Governing the Accrual of Earned Paid Leave. (H.P. 19, L.D. 55)

**Ch. 439** - An Act to Fund Free Health Clinics. (H.P. 34, L.D. 70)

**Ch. 440** - An Act to Reduce Cost and Increase Access to Disease Prevention by Expanding the Universal Childhood Immunization Program to Include Adults. (H.P. 58, L.D. 93)

**Ch. 441** - An Act to Provide Funding for Sexual Assault Services. (S.P. 16, L.D. 117)

**Ch. 442** - An Act to Increase the Total Amount of Credits Authorized Under the Maine Seed Capital Tax Credit Program. (S.P. 52, L.D. 125)

**Ch. 443** - An Act to Improve Women's Health and Economic Security by Funding Family Planning Services. (S.P. 79, L.D. 143)

**Ch. 444** - An Act to Increase the Maximum Amount of the Historic Property Rehabilitation Tax Credit That May be Taken in a Year. (S.P. 82, L.D. 146)

**Ch. 445** - An Act to Require Health Insurance Coverage for Federally Approved Nonprescription Oral Hormonal Contraceptives and Nonprescription Emergency Contraceptives. (H.P. 96, L.D. 163)

**Ch. 446** - An Act to Provide 2 Hearing Aids to MaineCare Members with Diagnosed Hearing Loss. (H.P. 100, L.D. 167)

**Ch. 447** - An Act to Require the Maine State Police to Create a Statewide List of Missing Persons and Study Improvements for Investigating Missing Persons Cases. (H.P. 105, L.D. 172)

**Ch. 448** - An Act Regarding Coverage for Step Therapy for Metastatic Cancer. (H.P. 111, L.D. 178)

**Ch. 449** - An Act Regarding Large Recovery Residences. (H.P. 138, L.D. 215)

**Ch. 450** - An Act to Update Major Policy-influencing Positions Within the Maine Human Rights Commission. (H.P. 184, L.D. 284)

**Ch. 451** - An Act to Appropriate Funds to the Department of Environmental Protection, Lake Water Quality Restoration and Protection Fund. (H.P. 196, L.D. 296)

**Ch. 452** - An Act to Ensure Consistency of Income Tax Deductions for Retired Members of the Uniformed Services. (S.P. 158, L.D. 366)

**Ch. 453** - An Act to Prevent Student Homelessness. (S.P. 150, L.D. 384)

**Ch. 454** - An Act to Authorize the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority to Issue Additional Securities for the Replacement of the Legislative Management System for the Senate and the House of Representatives. (H.P. 288, L.D. 434)

**Ch. 455** - An Act to Encourage Resident-owned Communities and Preserve Affordable Housing Through Tax Deductions. (S.P. 211, L.D. 554)

**Ch. 456** - An Act to Preserve Heating and Energy Choice by Prohibiting a Municipality from Prohibiting a Particular Energy System or Energy Distributor. (S.P. 218, L.D. 556)

**Ch. 457** - An Act to Support Informed Community Self-determination in Emergency Medical Services Planning. (S.P. 266, L.D. 583)

**Ch. 458** - An Act to Support the Northern New England Poison Center. (S.P. 306, L.D. 689)

**Ch. 459** - An Act to Increase Support for Statewide Emergency Broadcast Messaging. (S.P. 309, L.D. 692)

**Ch. 460** - An Act to Sustain Emergency Homeless Shelters in Maine. (S.P. 315, L.D. 698)

**Ch. 461** - An Act to Provide Funds to Reduce Student Homelessness. (H.P. 489, L.D. 747)

**Ch. 462** - An Act to Authorize the Use of Funds Resulting from the Issuance of Securities by the Maine Governmental Facilities Authority for the Purpose of Developing or Improving New or Existing Court Facilities in Penobscot County. (S.P. 251, L.D. 753)

**Ch. 463** - An Act to Fund the Aroostook County Drug Treatment Court. (S.P. 336, L.D. 779)

**Ch. 464** - An Act to Clarify Residency Requirements for the Maine School of Science and Mathematics. (S.P. 347, L.D. 787)

**Ch. 465** - An Act to Fund the Provision of Advocacy Services to Persons with Intellectual Disabilities. (H.P. 507, L.D. 800)

**Ch. 466** - An Act to Provide Funding for Respite Care and Supplemental Services Provided by the Family Caregiver Support Program. (H.P. 522, L.D. 815)

**Ch. 467** - An Act to Clarify the Status of Energy Storage Systems with Regard to the Business Equipment Tax Exemption and the Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement Program. (H.P. 526, L.D. 819)

**Ch. 468** - An Act to Require MaineCare to Reimburse for Lactation Services in the Homes of Eligible Persons. (H.P. 551, L.D. 865)

**Ch. 469** - An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding the Mining Excise Tax. (H.P. 601, L.D. 936)

**Ch. 470** - An Act to Establish Equal Tax Treatment for the Mi'kmaq Nation. (S.P. 412, L.D. 982)

**Ch. 471** - An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Land for Maine's Future Program and to Authorize the Use of Options to Purchase at Agricultural Value. (S.P. 458, L.D. 1072)

**Ch. 472** - An Act to Provide Comprehensive Perimenopause and Menopause Education. (H.P. 701, L.D. 1079)

**Ch. 473** - An Act to Clarify the Requirements for Accessing Nonformulary Drugs and Drugs Used to Treat Serious Mental Illness. (S.P. 460, L.D. 1100)

**Ch. 474** - An Act to Ensure Equitable Access for All Caregivers to Diaper Changing Stations in State Buildings Open to the Public. (H.P. 740, L.D. 1121)

**Ch. 475** - An Act to Amend the Statutory Balance Limit on the Finance Authority of Maine's Loan Insurance Reserves for General Fund Transfers. (S.P. 497, L.D. 1208)

**Ch. 476** - An Act to Establish the Department of Energy Resources. (H.P. 845, L.D. 1270)

**Ch. 477** - An Act to Promote the Production of Natural Resources Bioproducts by Amending the Renewable Chemicals Tax Credit. (H.P. 850, L.D. 1275)

**Ch. 478** - An Act to Require Insurance Coverage for Covered Dental Services Provided by Licensed Dental Hygienists. (H.P. 884, L.D. 1361)

**Ch. 479** - An Act Extending the Statute of Limitations on Criminal Actions Involving Aggravated Sex Trafficking. (H.P. 936, L.D. 1427)

**Ch. 480** - An Act to Address Maine's Housing Crisis by Limiting Municipal Impact Fees on Housing Development. (H.P. 982, L.D. 1498)

**Ch. 481** - An Act to Enhance the Protection of High-value Natural Resources Statewide. (S.P. 613, L.D. 1529)

**Ch. 482** - An Act to Allow a Legislator to Choose to Be Paid on an Annual Basis. (H.P. 1033, L.D. 1575)

**Ch. 483** - An Act to Clarify and Increase Access to HIV Prevention Medications. (H.P. 1122, L.D. 1687)

**Ch. 484** - An Act to Protect Residents of Mobile Home Parks by Amending the Real Estate Transfer Tax. (S.P. 686, L.D. 1768)

**Ch. 485** - An Act to Expand the State's Workforce by Supporting the Transition from Incarceration to Employment. (H.P. 1228, L.D. 1844)

**Ch. 486** - An Act to Change the Name and Duties of the Taxpayer Advocate to Increase the Use of State Tax Credits. (H.P. 1247, L.D. 1876)

**Ch. 487** - An Act to Improve Accountability and Understanding of Data in Insurance Transactions. (S.P. 747, L.D. 1906)

**Ch. 488** - An Act to Require Hospitals and Hospital-affiliated Providers to Provide Financial Assistance Programs for Medical Care. (S.P. 755, L.D. 1937)

**Ch. 489** - An Act to Promote Food Processing and Manufacturing Facility Expansion and Create Jobs. (S.P. 758, L.D. 1951)

**Ch. 490** - An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Legislative Reimbursement. (H.P. 1312, L.D. 1968)

**Ch. 491** - An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Emergency Medical Services' Board and the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State. (S.P. 776, L.D. 1981)

**Ch. 492** - An Act to Fund Collective Bargaining Agreements with Executive Branch Employees and Continue the Voluntary Employee Incentive Program. (H.P. 1335, L.D. 1987) (Governor's Bill)

Signed by the Governor  
Monday, July 7, 2025

**Ch. 493** - An Act to Prohibit the Sale of Tobacco Products in Pharmacies and Retail Establishments Containing Pharmacies. (H.P. 99, L.D. 166)

**Ch. 494** - An Act to Provide Relief to Federal or State Employees Affected by a Federal Government or State Government Shutdown. (H.P. 560, L.D. 874)

**Ch. 495** - An Act to Require Municipal Reporting on Residential Building Permits, Dwelling Units Permitted and Demolished and Certificates of Occupancy Issued. (H.P. 789, L.D. 1184)

**Ch. 496** - An Act to Allow an Attorney for the State to Determine Whether to Charge Certain Class E Crimes as Civil Violations. (H.P. 794, L.D. 1189)

**Ch. 497** - An Act Regarding the New Markets Tax Credit and the Maine New Markets Capital Investment Program. (S.P. 506, L.D. 1217)

**Ch. 498** - An Act to Support Workforce Development by Establishing the Housing Stability Fund. (S.P. 516, L.D. 1287)

**Ch. 499** - An Act to Increase the Maine Historic Property Rehabilitation Tax Credit in Rural Areas. (H.P. 1173, L.D. 1755)

**Resolves**

Signed by the Governor  
Tuesday, July 1, 2025

**Ch. 104** - Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Recommend Methods for Preventing Deed Fraud in the State. (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 139, L.D. 353)

**Ch. 105** - Resolve, to Establish the Housing Production Innovation Working Group. (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 594, L.D. 1453)

**Ch. 106** - Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Evaluate the Scope of Regulatory Review and Oversight over Health Care Transactions That Impact the Delivery of Health Care Services in the State. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1036, L.D. 1578)

**Ch. 107** - Resolve, to Expand Access to Oral Health Care by Studying Alternative Pathways for Obtaining a License to Practice Dentistry. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1069, L.D. 1615)

**Ch. 108** - Resolve, to Establish the Real Estate Property Tax Relief Task Force. (S.P. 688, L.D. 1770)

**Ch. 109** - Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 201: Employer Reporting and Payments, a Major Substantive Rule of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System. (H.P. 53, L.D. 89)

**Ch. 110** - Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Develop a Grant Program to Encourage Secondary Schools to Adopt Later Start Times. (S.P. 182, L.D. 396)

**Ch. 111** - Resolve, Directing the Department of Public Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal to Compile a Statewide Inventory of Aqueous Film-forming Foam Concentrate. (H.P. 254, L.D. 400)

**Ch. 112** - Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Design a Mentoring Program for Youth Who Have Extended Care and Support Agreements with the Department. (H.P. 509, L.D. 802)

**Ch. 113** - Resolve, Requiring the Maine Health Data Organization to Develop a Plan for Measuring Gaps in Home and Community-based Services. (H.P. 637, L.D. 977)

**Ch. 114** - Resolve, to Reestablish the Blue Economy Task Force to Support Maine's Emergence as a Center for Blue Economy Innovation and Opportunity in the 21st Century. (S.P. 441, L.D. 1023)

**Ch. 115** - Resolve, Establishing the Biotoxin Testing of Cultured Scallops Pilot Program. (H.P. 854, L.D. 1279)

**Ch. 116** - Resolve, to Require the Governor's Energy Office to Study Taxation of Renewable Energy Infrastructure. (H.P. 878, L.D. 1355)

**Ch. 117** - Resolve, to Create a Working Group on the Status of School Libraries and on Public Libraries in Maine. (H.P. 926, L.D. 1404)

**Ch. 118** - Resolve, to Establish a Working Waterfront Infrastructure Engineer Corps Pilot Program and to Conduct a Feasibility Study of a Higher Education Service Corps Program. (H.P. 942, L.D. 1433)

(Chartered 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 HELD BY THE GOVERNOR**

"...If a bill or resolution shall not be returned by the governor within 10 days (Sundays excepted) after it shall have been presented to the Governor, it shall have the same force and effect as if the Governor had signed it unless the Legislature by their adjournment prevent its return, in which case it shall have such force and effect, unless returned within 3 days after the next meeting of the same Legislature which enacted the bill or resolution; if there is no such next meeting of the Legislature which enacted the bill or resolution, the bill or resolution shall not be a law." (excerpted from Article IV, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution of Maine)

An Act to Modify the Excise Tax on Camper Trailers. (S.P. 62, L.D. 15)

An Act to Establish a Grant Program to Increase Postsecondary Educational Opportunities for Students with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorder. (H.P. 10, L.D. 46)

An Act to Regulate Employer Surveillance to Protect Workers. (H.P. 25, L.D. 61)

Resolve, Directing the Maine Arts Commission to Study Federal and National Efforts to Protect Artists from Copyright Infringement by Artificial Intelligence Companies and Users and to Monitor Educational Use. (H.P. 74, L.D. 109)

An Act to Establish a Take-back and Disposal Program for Firefighting and Fire-suppressing Foam to Which Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Have Been Added. (H.P. 145, L.D. 222)

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State. (S.P. 111, L.D. 245)

An Act to Establish the Criminal Records Review Commission in Statute. (S.P. 126, L.D. 259)

An Act Regarding Funding for Educational Programs and Opportunities. (H.P. 224, L.D. 324)

An Act to Increase the Size and Balance of Jury Pools. (H.P. 238, L.D. 338)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Collect Data on Secondary School Mathematics Requirements. (S.P. 162, L.D. 370)

Resolve, Directing the Attorney General to Update Rules Relating to the Disposition of Forfeited Firearms. (H.P. 265, L.D. 411)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Review Teacher Mentoring Programs in Maine Public Schools. (S.P. 209, L.D. 470)

Resolve, Directing the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women to Study the Extent of Workforce Gender Segregation in the State. (H.P. 341, L.D. 522)

An Act to Allow Residents of the Department of Corrections to Opt In to Additional Restitution for Their Victims. (H.P. 352, L.D. 533)

An Act to Require School Boards to Adopt a Policy on Automated External Defibrillator Access at School-sponsored Athletic Events. (S.P. 270, L.D. 587)

An Act to Direct the Maine Prescription Drug Affordability Board to Assess Strategies to Reduce Prescription Drug Costs and to Take Steps to Implement Reference-based Pricing. (S.P. 314, L.D. 697)

An Act to Create a Rebuttable Presumption Related to Specialized Risk Screening for First Responders. (S.P. 343, L.D. 784)

An Act to Create the Net Energy Billing Cost Stabilization Fund. (S.P. 372, L.D. 839)

An Act to Ensure Behavioral and Mental Health Services Are Available to Students by Providing Grants to Schools That Contract for Those Services. (H.P. 544, L.D. 858)

An Act Regarding the Membership of the Maine Land Use Planning Commission. (H.P. 556, L.D. 870)

An Act to Integrate Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander History into the Statewide System of Learning Results. (H.P. 616, L.D. 957)

An Act to Fund the Operations of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Tick Laboratory. (S.P. 429, L.D. 1012)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Review Personal Finance Course Offerings in Maine Schools and Convene a Working Group of Relevant Stakeholders. (S.P. 454, L.D. 1069)

Resolve, to Require the Department of Education to Convene a Group to Develop Best Practices for De-escalation and Behavior Intervention. (H.P. 719, L.D. 1097)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Education to Review the Use of Abbreviated School Days. (H.P. 720, L.D. 1098)

An Act Requiring Serial Numbers on Firearms and Prohibiting Undetectable Firearms. (H.P. 745, L.D. 1126)

An Act to Increase the Procurement of Maine Foods by Certain State Institutions. (S.P. 472, L.D. 1141)

An Act to Create Economic Opportunity for the Wabanaki Nations Through Internet Gaming. (H.P. 769, L.D. 1164)

An Act to Include Certain Mental Health Data in Firearm Fatalities and Hospitalizations Reports. (H.P. 792, L.D. 1187)

An Act to Clarify Certain Terms in and to Make Other Changes to the Automotive Right to Repair Laws. (H.P. 803, L.D. 1228)

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Public Employee Market Pay Studies and Comprehensive Reviews of the Classification Plan for State Service Positions. (H.P. 840, L.D. 1265)

An Act to Establish the Maine-Aomori Sister-state Advisory Council. (H.P. 871, L.D. 1336)

An Act to Create the Building Opportunity Through Out-of-school Time Program. (H.P. 911, L.D. 1389)

Resolve, to Expand Child Assertive Community Treatment. (H.P. 935, L.D. 1426)

An Act Regarding Cannabis Testing and the Manufacture of Cannabis and Hemp Products. (S.P. 603, L.D. 1488)

An Act to Establish the Maine Community Development Financial Institution Fund to Support Small Businesses, Rural Economic Development and Affordable Housing. (H.P. 984, L.D. 1500)

Resolve, Directing the Maine Developmental Disabilities Council to Examine the Unmet Needs of Children Who Need Skilled Medical Care. (S.P. 624, L.D. 1540)

Resolve, Establishing the Commission to Update Maine's Public Policy on Higher Education. (H.P. 1016, L.D. 1558)

An Act to Provide Compensation to Individuals with Lived Experience Serving on Certain Advisory Boards, Commissions, Councils and Similar Groups. (H.P. 1024, L.D. 1566)

An Act to Establish the Maine Life Science Innovation Center. (S.P. 651, L.D. 1643)

An Act to Exempt Certain Sales and Transfers of Adult Use Cannabis from Excise Tax. (H.P. 1095, L.D. 1654)

Resolve, to Allow Hemphill Farms, Inc. to Sue the State. (S.P. 661, L.D. 1667)

An Act Regarding the Voting Requirement to Extend the Date for Adjournment of the Legislature. (S.P. 663, L.D. 1668)

An Act to Establish the Cannabis Advisory Council. (S.P. 664, L.D. 1669)

An Act to Establish the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias Prevention and Support Program. (H.P. 1112, L.D. 1677)

An Act to Expand Access to Justice in Rural Maine by Incentivizing Attorneys to Practice in Underserved Areas. (H.P. 1126, L.D. 1691)

An Act to Establish the Biohazard Waste Disposal Grant Program to Support Public Health Efforts in the State. (H.P. 1156, L.D. 1738)

An Act to Stabilize Residential Treatment Capacity for Children and Youth in Maine. (H.P. 1163, L.D. 1745)

Resolve, Directing the Department of Corrections to Study Achieving Gender Equality. (H.P. 1167, L.D. 1749)

An Act to Require Police Departments to Publish and Make Accessible Their Policies and Procedures and Require Training of Officers. (H.P. 1195, L.D. 1784)

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Maine Commission on Public Defense Services to Clarify the Types of Cases for Which the Commission Is Responsible for Providing Counsel. (S.P. 698, L.D. 1796)

An Act to Amend the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Act. (S.P. 723, L.D. 1840)

Resolve, to Improve Interagency Coordination and Information Accessibility Regarding Renewable Energy Construction Projects. (H.P. 1234, L.D. 1850)

An Act to Permit Sealing Criminal History Record Information of Victims of Sex Trafficking or Sexual Exploitation. (S.P. 741, L.D. 1871)

An Act Regarding Outdoor Cultivation in the Medical Use Cannabis and Adult Use Cannabis Industries. (H.P. 1268, L.D. 1897)

An Act to Add Mold to the Implied Warranty and Covenant of Habitability. (H.P. 1288, L.D. 1927)

An Act to Promote Responsible Outdoor Lighting. (H.P. 1295, L.D. 1934)

An Act to Increase Child Care Affordability and Early Childhood Educator Stability. (S.P. 763, L.D. 1955)

Resolve, to Establish a Task Force to Create a Court Navigation Program Plan. (S.P. 772, L.D. 1965)

An Act to Protect Workers in This State by Clarifying the Relationship of State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies with Federal Immigration Authorities. (H.P. 1315, L.D. 1971)

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Maine Abandoned and Discontinued Roads Commission. (H.P. 1332, L.D. 1985)

**MATTERS HELD OVER PURSUANT TO JOINT ORDER S.P. 800**

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the following specified matters be held over to any special or regular session of the 132nd Legislature in the posture in which they were at the time of adjournment of the First Special Session of the 132nd Legislature:

L.D. 19, S.P. 32 - An Act to Change the Definition of "Oversized ATV" in the Laws Governing the Registration of All-terrain Vehicles

L.D. 32, S.P. 49 - An Act to Repeal the Laws Regarding Net Energy Billing

L.D. 35, S.P. 56 - An Act to Strengthen Local Emergency Medical Services By Increasing the MaineCare Reimbursement Rate for Ambulance Services

L.D. 76, H.P. 40 - An Act to Allow Use of the Fish Hatchery Maintenance Fund to Compensate Hatchery Staff When Certain Operational Needs Require Overtime

L.D. 102, H.P. 67 - An Act to Notify the Public of Juveniles Who Are Wanted Persons

L.D. 127, S.P. 55 - An Act to Strengthen Legislative Oversight of Government Agencies and Programs by Reaffirming the Legislature's Access to Confidential Records

L.D. 128, S.P. 57 - An Act to Support Permitting of Certain Multifamily Housing Developments Under the Site Location of Development Laws

L.D. 161, H.P. 94 - Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to Convene a Stakeholder Group Tasked with a Comprehensive Overhaul and Modernization of the State Subdivision Laws

L.D. 191, H.P. 124 - An Act to Support Maine Businesses by Establishing a Pass-through Entity Tax and Tax Credit

L.D. 208, H.P. 128 - An Act to Eliminate the 72-hour Waiting Period on Firearm Purchases

L.D. 229, H.P. 152 - An Act to Bring Fairness in Income Taxes to Maine Families by Adjusting the Tax Brackets and Tax Rates

L.D. 276, H.P. 180 - An Act Regarding Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

L.D. 287, H.P. 187 - An Act to Require and Encourage Safe and Interconnected Transportation Construction Projects

L.D. 292, H.P. 192 - An Act to Implement the Automotive Right to Repair Working Group Recommendations

L.D. 295, H.P. 195 - An Act Regarding Education

L.D. 299, H.P. 199 - An Act to Support Investment in Agriculture

L.D. 305, H.P. 205 - An Act Regarding Transportation in Maine

L.D. 307, H.P. 207 - An Act Regarding Energy, Utilities and Technology

L.D. 335, H.P. 235 - An Act to Safeguard Reproductive Rights

L.D. 343, H.P. 243 - An Act to Direct the Public Utilities Commission to Seek Informational Bids Regarding Small Modular Nuclear Reactors in the State

L.D. 350, S.P. 134 - An Act Regarding the Operations of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

L.D. 352, S.P. 137 - An Act to Improve Criminal Justice and Public Safety

L.D. 354, S.P. 140 - An Act to Improve Education in Maine

L.D. 364, S.P. 156 - An Act to Promote Economic Development in Maine

L.D. 374, S.P. 166 - An Act to Provide Comparable Compensation and Benefits for Deputy and Assistant District Attorneys, Assistant Attorneys General and Public Defenders

L.D. 378, S.P. 135 - An Act to Strengthen the Health Care System in Maine

L.D. 382, S.P. 148 - An Act to Establish a System of Revenue Sharing for the Use and Management of Coastal Resources

L.D. 391, S.P. 177 - An Act to Advance Recognition of the Inherent Rights of the Wabanaki Nations

L.D. 393, S.P. 179 - An Act to Designate Certain Bridges as Veterans Memorial Bridges

L.D. 394, S.P. 180 - An Act to Improve Transportation Infrastructure in Maine

L.D. 395, S.P. 181 - An Act to Restore Access to Federal Laws Beneficial to the Wabanaki Nations

L.D. 426, H.P. 280 - An Act to Protect the Human Rights of Individuals in the State

L.D. 438, H.P. 292 - An Act to Allow Municipalities to Limit Nonprofit Property Tax Exemptions

L.D. 446, H.P. 300 - An Act Regarding Driver Education

L.D. 449, H.P. 303 - An Act to Authorize a Court to Conditionally Discharge Certain Criminal Defendants

L.D. 456, S.P. 189 - An Act to Improve Public Defense Services

L.D. 471, S.P. 210 - Resolve, to Establish a Pilot Program to Expand Intensive English Language Learner Programs

L.D. 473, S.P. 213 - An Act to Support Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry in Maine

L.D. 474, S.P. 214 - An Act to Improve Maine's Environment and Protect Natural Resources

L.D. 475, S.P. 215 - An Act to Protect Maine's Marine Resources

L.D. 484, H.P. 313 - An Act Regarding the Department of Public Safety

L.D. 485, H.P. 314 - An Act Regarding Criminal Justice

L.D. 517, H.P. 335 - An Act to Protect the First Amendment Rights of Individuals in the State

L.D. 519, H.P. 337 - An Act to Remove the Requirement That Individual and Small Group Health Plans Be Offered Through a Pooled Market and to Eliminate the Provision of Law Establishing a Pooled Market for Those Plans

L.D. 524, H.P. 343 - An Act to Reduce Trafficking in the State

L.D. 555, S.P. 217 - An Act to Create a Separate Department of Child and Family Services

L.D. 564, S.P. 243 - An Act to Improve the Operations of State Government

L.D. 566, S.P. 246 - An Act to Modernize the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program and Amend the Law Governing Inspection Fees

L.D. 571, S.P. 252 - An Act to Improve Conditions for Maine Workers and Retirees

L.D. 574, S.P. 255 - An Act to Improve Labor Conditions for Workers in the State

L.D. 584, S.P. 267 - An Act to Make the Director of the Office of Cannabis Policy an Appointed Position Subject to Confirmation by the Legislature

L.D. 590, S.P. 274 - An Act Regarding the Inclusion of Racial and Other Demographic Data from State Agencies in the Legislative Process

L.D. 595, S.P. 279 - An Act to Update Privacy Protections for Maine Consumers

L.D. 596, S.P. 280 - Resolve, to Provide Legislative Approval of Northern Maine Transmission Infrastructure

L.D. 605, H.P. 373 - An Act to Provide Solutions for Sustainable Management of Municipal Solid Waste

L.D. 615, H.P. 383 - An Act Regarding Elections

L.D. 648, H.P. 416 - An Act to Expand the Supervised Community Confinement Program

L.D. 653, H.P. 421 - An Act to Allow Teachers to Qualify for Overtime Pay

L.D. 663, H.P. 431 - An Act Regarding Health Care

L.D. 669, H.P. 437 - An Act Regarding Labor

L.D. 694, S.P. 311 - An Act to Require Petitions for Interstate Transmission Lines to Include Provisions for Conservation Funding

L.D. 695, S.P. 312 - An Act Regarding the Laws of the State of Maine

L.D. 713, H.P. 452 - An Act Regarding Taxation

L.D. 714, H.P. 453 - An Act to Amend the Tax Laws

L.D. 725, H.P. 464 - An Act to Advance Equitable Energy Policy in Maine

L.D. 740, H.P. 482 - An Act to Establish a Comprehensive Program to Divert Youth from the Criminal Justice System and Address Their Needs

L.D. 754, S.P. 262 - An Act to Ban the Sale, Use and Possession of Single-use Electronic Cigarettes and to Review Extended Producer Responsibility Options for All Batteries

L.D. 755, S.P. 263 - An Act to Prevent Opioid Overdose Deaths by Allowing Municipalities to Approve the Establishment of Overdose Prevention Centers

L.D. 766, H.P. 496 - An Act to Protect the Children of Maine

L.D. 785, S.P. 344 - An Act to Enact the Remaining Recommendations of the Task Force on Changes to the Maine Indian Claims Settlement Implementing Act

L.D. 818, H.P. 525 - An Act to Allow Expenditure of Maine Clean Election Act Funding for the Care of Candidates' Dependents

L.D. 838, S.P. 371 - An Act to Explore Public Financing and Ownership of Electric Transmission and Distribution Infrastructure

L.D. 846, H.P. 532 - An Act to Protect Natural Resources by Clarifying Hydropower Dam Removal Requirements

L.D. 847, H.P. 533 - An Act to Prohibit Housing Discrimination

L.D. 849, H.P. 535 - An Act to Establish a Recall Process for Public School Board Members

L.D. 877, H.P. 563 - An Act to Require Transportation Network Companies to Provide Fair Wages to Drivers

L.D. 882, H.P. 568 - An Act to Protect Communication with Providers of Critical Incident Stress Management Peer Support

L.D. 883, H.P. 569 - An Act to Reduce the Tax Burden on Maine Citizens

L.D. 893, S.P. 381 - An Act to Exempt Nonprofit Agricultural Membership Organizations from Insurance Requirements

L.D. 897, S.P. 386 - An Act Regarding the Calculation of Electric Rate Contracting Costs

L.D. 910, S.P. 400 - An Act to Collect Data to Better Understand the Consumer's Health Insurance Experience

L.D. 916, H.P. 581 - An Act to Promote Investment in Housing

L.D. 926, H.P. 591 - An Act to Promote Research and Development in the State by Amending the Research Expense Tax Credit

L.D. 943, H.P. 608 - An Act to Require the ASPIRE-TANF Program to Be Administered by State Employees

L.D. 961, H.P. 620 - An Act to Address Maine's Health Care Workforce Shortage and Improve Access to Care

L.D. 978, H.P. 638 - An Act to Increase General Assistance Reimbursement for Municipalities and Indian Tribes

L.D. 1004, H.P. 651 - An Act to Ensure the Proper Operation of the State

L.D. 1009, H.P. 656 - An Act to Restore Full Civil Rights to Possess Firearms to Persons Previously Convicted of Certain Nonviolent Felony Crimes

L.D. 1026, S.P. 444 - An Act to Provide Mapping Services for Aquaculture Lease Siting

L.D. 1054, H.P. 683 - An Act to Authorize the Penobscot Nation to Use Wild Game Harvested on the Penobscot Indian Territory at Food Venues Located Within the Penobscot Indian Territory

L.D. 1059, H.P. 688 - An Act to Establish the Process for the Selection of Delegates for a Convention Called Under the United States Constitution, Article V

L.D. 1089, H.P. 711 - An Act to Permanently Fund 55 Percent of the State's Share of Education by Establishing a Tax on Incomes of More than \$1,000,000

L.D. 1093, H.P. 715 - An Act to Direct the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Bureau of Parks and Lands to Prevent the Use of the Term "State Park" by Nonstate Parks

L.D. 1119, H.P. 738 - An Act Regarding Reproductive Health Care

L.D. 1136, S.P. 464 - An Act to Defend the Rights of LGBTQ+ Persons in the State

L.D. 1216, S.P. 505 - An Act to Improve Behavioral Health Crisis Services and Suicide Prevention Services

L.D. 1220, H.P. 795 - An Act to Allow Chiropractors to Treat Dogs and Equids

L.D. 1223, H.P. 798 - An Act to Lower Electric Rates for Maine Ratepayers by Requiring the Payment of Certain Costs from the General Fund

L.D. 1230, H.P. 805 - An Act to Abolish the 72-hour Waiting Period for a Gun Purchase

L.D. 1247, H.P. 822 - An Act to Restrict Municipal Ordinance Requirements Regarding Housing Developments

L.D. 1259, H.P. 834 - An Act to Enhance Public Safety in Maine by Defining the Relationship Between Local and Federal Law Enforcement

L.D. 1281, S.P. 509 - An Act to Address the Safety of Nurses and Improve Patient Care by Enacting the Maine Quality Care Act

L.D. 1301, S.P. 531 - An Act to Prohibit the Use of Artificial Intelligence in the Denial of Health Insurance Claims

L.D. 1343, S.P. 559 - An Act to Protect the Right to Harvest Wildlife

L.D. 1353, H.P. 876 - An Act Regarding Required Landings in the Menhaden Fishery

L.D. 1356, H.P. 879 - An Act to Change the State's Method of Allocating Electoral Votes from a Congressional District Method to a Winner-take-all Method Contingent on the State of Nebraska Changing its Method of Allocating Electoral Votes

L.D. 1365, H.P. 888 - An Act to Allow Consumption of Adult Use Cannabis in Locally Approved Hospitality Lounges

L.D. 1378, I.B. 2 - An Act to Protect Maine Communities by Enacting the Extreme Risk Protection Order Act

L.D. 1383, H.P. 905 - An Act to Require State Divestment from Perpetrators of International Human Rights Violations

L.D. 1414, S.P. 554 - An Act to Support and Sustain Maine's Child Care Workforce

L.D. 1416, S.P. 562 - An Act to Require the Department of Health and Human Services to Immediately Take Custody of Persons Sentenced to Mental Health Facilities That May Not Include County or Regional Jails

L.D. 1418, S.P. 573 - An Act to Protect Access to Reproductive Health Care, Including Fertility Treatments and Contraceptives

L.D. 1419, S.P. 575 - An Act to Provide a Sales Tax Exemption for Housing Constructed Off-site Similar to That for On-site Construction

L.D. 1444, S.P. 585 - An Act to Prevent Foreclosures Without Strict Compliance with Notice Requirements

L.D. 1457, S.P. 598 - Resolve, to Allow the Maine Turnpike Authority to Conduct a Pilot Program to Implement Automated Speed Control Systems in Highway Work Zones

L.D. 1477, H.P. 969 - An Act to Provide an Exemption from Pilotage Requirements for Passenger Ferry Service Between Bar Harbor, Maine and Yarmouth, Nova Scotia

L.D. 1502, H.P. 986 - An Act to Update the Requirements for Health Insurance Coverage of Prostate Cancer Screening

L.D. 1507, H.P. 991 - An Act to Require General Public Notification of Oil Terminal Facility Transfer Activities

L.D. 1530, S.P. 614 - An Act to Improve the Sustainability of Emergency Medical Services in Maine

L.D. 1547, S.P. 631 - An Act to Use a Portion of the Sales Tax on Snowmobiles to Fund Maine's Snowmobile Trail Programs

L.D. 1572, H.P. 1030 - An Act Regarding Prosecution Standards for Nonfatal Strangulation or Suffocation in Domestic Violence Cases

L.D. 1577, H.P. 1035 - Resolve, to Establish the Commission to Study and Recommend Solutions for Modernizing the Maine Legislature

L.D. 1583, H.P. 1041 - An Act Regarding Home Health Care and Hospice Services Ordered by a Health Care Provider Outside of Maine

L.D. 1587, H.P. 1045 - An Act to Establish Greater Alignment of Penalties for Certain Labor Law Violations

L.D. 1605, S.P. 642 - An Act to Support Farmers and Food Banks Affected by Federal Funding Cuts to Their Existing Contracts

L.D. 1609, H.P. 1063 - An Act to Prevent the Participation of Individuals and Companies Linked to Federally Recognized Criminal Organizations in the Medical and Adult Use Cannabis Programs

L.D. 1646, S.P. 643 - An Act to Amend Maine's Good Samaritan Laws Regarding Suspected Drug-related Overdoses

L.D. 1647, S.P. 655 - An Act to Amend the Maine Human Rights Act to Provide Additional Remedies for Educational Discrimination

L.D. 1652, H.P. 1093 - An Act to Create a Tax Credit for Providers of Dental Care for MaineCare Recipients

L.D. 1658, H.P. 1099 - An Act to Preserve and Strengthen the Fund for a Healthy Maine

L.D. 1661, H.P. 1102 - An Act to Establish a Comprehensive and Interagency Approach to Invasive Species Management

L.D. 1666, S.P. 660 - An Act to Include in the Ranked-choice Election Method for General and Special Elections the Offices of Governor, State Senator and State Representative and to Make Other Related Changes

L.D. 1671, H.P. 1106 - An Act to Establish Disclosure Requirements Regarding Law Enforcement Officer Credibility Information

L.D. 1682, H.P. 1117 - An Act to Increase Fairness in the Income Tax by Adding Higher Tax Brackets and Tax Rates

L.D. 1694, H.P. 1129 - An Act to Provide an Income Tax Credit for Certain Disaster Mitigation Projects for Working Waterfront Property

L.D. 1699, H.P. 1134 - An Act to Create a Refundable Tax Credit for Agricultural Enterprises

L.D. 1728, S.P. 674 - An Act to Establish the Maine Child Care Affordability Program Advisory Board

L.D. 1730, S.P. 676 - An Act Regarding the Beneficial Electrification Policy of the State

L.D. 1737, S.P. 683 - An Act to Ensure the Future of Maine's Sporting Camp Heritage

L.D. 1741, H.P. 1159 - An Act Regarding County Law Enforcement Administration and Rural Law Enforcement

L.D. 1744, H.P. 1162 - An Act to Modify Provisions of the State Civil Service System Governing Employee Recruitment and Retention

L.D. 1761, H.P. 1179 - An Act to Prohibit Indemnification Agreements

L.D. 1766, S.P. 684 - An Act to Incorporate Probate Judges into the Maine Judicial Branch

L.D. 1772, S.P. 690 - An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Design a Plan for Sustained Investment in Preventing Disease and Improving the Health of Maine Communities

L.D. 1774, S.P. 692 - An Act to Protect Domestic Workers

L.D. 1788, H.P. 1199 - An Act to Strengthen the Freedom of Access Act by Categorizing Commercial Requesters

L.D. 1803, S.P. 702 - An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Optometric Practice

L.D. 1804, S.P. 704 - An Act Concerning the Funding and Oversight of Transportation Matters

L.D. 1806, H.P. 1207 - An Act to Create a Residential Rental Unit Registry

L.D. 1814, S.P. 708 - An Act to Increase Transparency in State Government by Amending Laws Regarding Persons Attempting to Influence the Competitive Bidding Process and Lobbyist Reporting During Rule-making Processes

L.D. 1821, H.P. 1219 - An Act to Ensure Responsible Business Practices by Licensed Firearms Dealers

L.D. 1822, H.P. 1220 - An Act to Enact the Maine Online Data Privacy Act

L.D. 1835, S.P. 717 - An Act to Improve Nonemergency MaineCare Transportation

L.D. 1847, H.P. 1231 - An Act to Institute Testing and Tracking of Medical Use Cannabis and Cannabis Products Similar to Adult Use Cannabis and Cannabis Products, Dedicate a Portion of the Adult Use Cannabis Sales and Excise Tax to Medical Use Cannabis Programs and Create a Study Group

L.D. 1851, H.P. 1235 - An Act to Bring Parity Among the Wabanaki Nations Regarding the Generation of Revenues from Gaming

L.D. 1865, S.P. 735 - Resolve, to Create a Tax Incentive Pilot Project to Encourage Businesses to Adopt a 4-day Workweek

L.D. 1870, S.P. 740 - An Act to Establish a Climate Superfund Cost Recovery Program to Impose Penalties on Climate Polluters

L.D. 1872, H.P. 1243 - An Act to Reinvest in the Pension Funds of the Maine Public Employees Retirement System

L.D. 1890, H.P. 1261 - An Act to Facilitate the Development of Ambulatory Surgical Facilities by Exempting Certain Facilities from the Requirement to Obtain a Certificate of Need

L.D. 1892, H.P. 1263 - An Act to Establish Procedures for School Construction Projects

L.D. 1893, H.P. 1264 - An Act to Establish an Independent Office of the Child Advocate

L.D. 1901, H.P. 1272 - An Act to Regulate Shared Appreciation Agreements Relating to Residential Property

L.D. 1902, S.P. 742 - An Act to Support Nonprofit Organizations by Authorizing the Operation of Electronic Lucky Seven Devices and Similar Sealed Ticket Games

L.D. 1904, S.P. 745 - An Act to Establish the Municipal Shoreline Protection Legal Fund

L.D. 1908, S.P. 749 - An Act to Require the Cooperation of Original Manufacturers of Electronic Devices to Facilitate the Repair of Those Devices by Device Owners and Independent Repair Providers

L.D. 1911, S.P. 752 - An Act to Automatically Seal Criminal History Record Information for Certain Crimes

L.D. 1915, H.P. 1276 - An Act to Regulate Earned Wage Access Services Providers

L.D. 1916, H.P. 1277 - An Act to Automatically Seal Criminal History Record Information for Class D and Class E Crimes Relating to Marijuana Possession and Cultivation

L.D. 1917, H.P. 1278 - An Act to Allow the Sealing of Criminal History Record Information Related to Convictions for Conduct That Is No Longer a Crime in the State

L.D. 1918, H.P. 1279 - An Act to Clarify the Criminal History Record Information Act with Respect to Criminal Charges Dismissed as the Result of a Plea Agreement

L.D. 1919, H.P. 1280 - An Act to Expand the Types of Convictions Eligible for Sealing Through a Post-judgment Motion to Seal Criminal History Record Information

L.D. 1921, H.P. 1282 - An Act to Create a Statewide Housing Resolution Board

L.D. 1922, H.P. 1283 - An Act to Support Workforce Development for Families That Were Involved in Child Protective Activities by Requiring the Sealing of Certain Records

L.D. 1923, H.P. 1284 - An Act to Repurpose Long Creek Youth Development Center and Build a Community of Support

L.D. 1926, H.P. 1287 - An Act to Require Increased Housing Density or Lower Minimum Lot Sizes for Workforce Housing

L.D. 1931, H.P. 1292 - An Act to Annually Reimburse the Town of Charleston for 43 Percent of Property Tax Revenue Lost Due to the Mountain View Correctional Facility's Tax-exempt Status

L.D. 1932, H.P. 1293 - An Act to Support Essential Support Workers and Enhance Workforce Development

L.D. 1936, S.P. 754 - An Act to Provide Greater Equity in and Reduce Costs Related to the State's Net Energy Billing Program

L.D. 1939, H.P. 1298 - An Act to Close Maine's Tax Loophole for Offshore Profit Shifting

L.D. 1941, H.P. 1300 - An Act to Implement Recommendations of the Commission to Examine Reestablishing Parole

L.D. 1942, H.P. 1301 - An Act to Modify Taxes Applying to Adult Use Cannabis, Hemp and Hemp Products

L.D. 1949, S.P. 756 - An Act Regarding Energy Fairness

L.D. 1954, S.P. 762 - An Act to Lower Household Costs by Expanding the Sales Tax Exemption for Certain Grocery Staples Sold in Grocery Stores

L.D. 1957, H.P. 1309 - An Act to Promote Film Production in Maine

L.D. 1959, S.P. 766 - An Act to Prohibit the Department of Health and Human Services from Reducing General Assistance Reimbursement Maximums for Payment of Costs of Providing Emergency Shelter

L.D. 1962, S.P. 769 - An Act to Establish the Corrections Ombudsman

L.D. 1964, S.P. 771 - An Act to Require the Development of a Standard Written Disclosure for Sellers and Installers of Distributed Generation Resources, to Make Changes to Other Standard Disclosures and to Make Misrepresentation in the Sale of Electricity Products an Unfair Trade Practice

L.D. 1966, H.P. 1310 - An Act to Improve Access to Community Solar Programs in the State

L.D. 1969, H.P. 1313 - An Act to Amend the Maine Revised Unclaimed Property Act

L.D. 1970, H.P. 1314 - An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Consent for HIV Testing and Disclosure of Related Medical Information for Insurance Purposes

L.D. 1975, H.P. 1319 - An Act to Eliminate the ConnectMaine Authority by Repealing the Advanced Technology Infrastructure Act

L.D. 1980, S.P. 775 - An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Stakeholder Group to Examine and Improve the Recruitment, Retention and Wellness of Law Enforcement Officers

L.D. 1983, S.P. 783 - An Act to Protect Minors from Intoxicating Hemp-derived Products by Regulating Those Products Under the Adult Use Cannabis Laws

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ORDERED, that all matters in the possession of the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs not finally disposed of be held over in the possession of that committee to any special or regular session of the 132nd Legislature.

### **SESSION LAWS BECOME EFFECTIVE**

Regular Bills and Resolves passed during the First Special Session of the 132nd Legislature become effective Wednesday, September 24, 2025. Emergency measures are effective when signed by the Governor.

(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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