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**LD 4      Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 675: Infrastructure Surcharge and Capital Reserve Accounts, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission**

**RESOLVE 9  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP-AM	H-7

This resolve provides for legislative review of Chapter 675: Infrastructure Surcharge and Capital Reserve Accounts, a major substantive rule of the Public Utilities Commission. The major substantive rule sets the requirements and procedures for establishing and monitoring the creation of capital reserve accounts and the use of an infrastructure replacement surcharge by a water utility. Specifically, the rule addresses the maximum amount of funds that can be collected, the authorized uses of the funds and the reporting requirements of water utilities that establish these types of mechanisms to fund infrastructure improvements. These rules were the final product of multi-step process:

1. P.L. 2011, chapter 106 directed the Public Utilities Commission to convene a work group to study the funding of infrastructure improvements for water utilities;
2. On January 15, 2012, the commission submitted a report summarizing the findings of that work group to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology; and
3. In P.L. 2011, chapter 602, the Legislature enacted policies to establish these funding mechanisms and directed the commission to adopt major substantive rules.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-7)**

This amendment authorizes the adoption of Chapter 675: Infrastructure Surcharge and Capital Reserve Accounts, a major substantive rule of the Public Utilities Commission only if the commission amends the rule to clarify some language regarding the maximum amounts of the infrastructure surcharge, to use consistent terms regarding attributing funds and to provide that the Office of the Public Advocate, the Public Utilities Commission's advisory staff and the water utility can agree in advance of the infrastructure surcharge filing on the current cost of debt and the return on equity and capital structure to be used.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 9 authorizes the adoption of Chapter 675: Infrastructure Surcharge and Capital Reserve Accounts, a major substantive rule of the Public Utilities Commission only if the commission amends the rule to clarify language regarding the maximum amounts of the infrastructure surcharge, to use consistent terms regarding attributing funds and to provide that the Office of the Public Advocate, the Public Utilities Commission's advisory staff and the water utility can agree in advance of the infrastructure surcharge filing on the current cost of debt and the return on equity and capital structure to be used.

Resolve 2013, chapter 9 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective April 16, 2013.

**LD 38      Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 201: Provider of Last Resort Service Quality, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>

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This resolve provides for legislative review of Chapter 201: Provider of Last Resort Service Quality, a major substantive rule of the Public Utilities Commission.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

The committee sent a letter to the Public Utilities Commission requesting the commission to meet with stakeholders to seek to develop modifications to the proposed rules that better address the various issues that stakeholders have raised.

**LD 60 An Act To Reduce the Number of Public Safety Answering Points**

**LEAVE TO  
WITHDRAW**

Sponsor(s)

SIROCKI

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission, Emergency Services Communication Bureau to establish a total of between 16 and 24 public safety answering points. This bill reduces to 2 the total number of public safety answering points. This bill was withdrawn by the sponsor.

**LD 81 An Act To Amend the Charter of the Ogunquit Sewer District**

**P & S 3  
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

HILL  
MCGOWAN

Committee Report

OTP-AM

Amendments Adopted

S-5

This bill resolves a conflict in the charter of the Ogunquit Sewer District created when the charter was amended by Private and Special Law 2011, chapter 24 to add language regarding sinking funds for the retirement of obligations made by the district, however, that private and special law did not repeal already existing language from 1963 regarding sinking funds. This bill resolves the conflict by repealing that 1963 provision.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-5)**

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Private and Special Law, chapter 3 resolves a conflict in the charter of the Ogunquit Sewer District created when the charter was amended by Private and Special Law 2011, chapter 24 to add language regarding sinking funds for the retirement of obligations made by the district, however, Private and Special Law 2011, chapter 24 did not repeal already existing language from 1963 regarding sinking funds. This law resolves the conflict by repealing that 1963 provision.

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 3 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 9, 2013.

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**LD 94      An Act To Prohibit Wireless Smart Meter Opt-out Fees**

**INDEF PP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BOLAND		

This bill was acted upon without reference to committee.

This bill prohibits a transmission and distribution utility from charging a customer a fee or a higher rate for declining the installation of a wireless smart meter or using a meter other than a wireless smart meter.

The concepts raised in this bill are addressed in LD 826, An Act to Eliminate the Opt-out Charges for Smart Meters. LD 826 was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 114      An Act To Amend the Charter of the Portland Water District**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW SAVIELLO	ONTP	

This bill requires the Portland Water District to charge the same rate for the use of water to its customers that reside in the Town of Standish as it charges its customers that reside in towns that are part of the territory supplied by the district and members of the district.

**LD 131      Resolve, Directing the Public Utilities Commission To Examine Measures To Mitigate the Effects of Geomagnetic Disturbances and Electromagnetic Pulse on the State's Transmission System**

**RESOLVE 45  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BOLAND PATRICK	OTP-AM	H-121

This bill requires a person submitting a petition to the Public Utilities Commission for the purposes of receiving a certificate of public convenience and necessity for building a transmission line to include a description of design measures to be used that limit electromagnetic field levels and ensure the protection of the transmission and distribution system against damage from an electromagnetic pulse or a geomagnetic storm. The bill also requires the commission to consider electromagnetic field levels, electromagnetic pulse protections and geomagnetic storm protections when determining the public need for a transmission line.

This bill adds similar requirements for the deciding authority, when determining whether an energy infrastructure proposal is in the long-term interest of the State, to consider electromagnetic field levels and electromagnetic pulse and geomagnetic storm dangers.

The bill directs the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the Department of Environmental Protection and within six months of the effective date of this Act, to adopt routine technical rules to identify effective design measures to limit electromagnetic field levels and ensure the protection of the transmission and distribution system against damage from an electromagnetic pulse or a geomagnetic storm.

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Finally, the bill requires any transmission line currently under construction upon the effective date of the rules to incorporate design measures to limit electromagnetic field levels and ensure the protection of the transmission and distribution system against damage from an electromagnetic pulse or a geomagnetic storm.

### **Committee Amendment "A" (H-121)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve directing the Public Utilities Commission to conduct an examination of the vulnerabilities of the State's transmission infrastructure to the potential negative impacts of a geomagnetic disturbance or electromagnetic pulse capable of disabling, disrupting or destroying a transmission and distribution system and to identify potential mitigation measures. The commission is also required to monitor efforts by regional and federal organizations to address this issue and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology by January 20, 2014. The committee may submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature based on the report. The amendment adds an emergency preamble and clause to the bill.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 45 directs the Public Utilities Commission to conduct an examination of the vulnerabilities of the State's transmission infrastructure to the potential negative impacts of a geomagnetic disturbance or electromagnetic pulse capable of disabling, disrupting or destroying a transmission and distribution system and to identify potential mitigation measures. The commission is also required to monitor efforts by regional and federal organizations to address this issue and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology by January 20, 2014. The committee may submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature based on the report.

Additionally, the committee sent a letter to the Public Utilities Commission requesting that an interim report be submitted to the committee by June 20, 2013 that contains a preliminary list of the sources that the commission will reference during the study, any pertinent information that the commission would like to share with the committee and a description of the commission's approach or process to complete the full study.

Resolve 2013, chapter 45 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective June 10, 2013.

### **LD 175      An Act To Update the Laws Governing Energy Efficiency Building Performance Standards**

**PUBLIC 120**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CLEVELAND HOBBINS	OTP-AM	S-47

This bill changes the definition of ASHRAE standards and repeals definitions dealing with the energy efficiency building performance standards to reflect the changes made by the enactment of the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code.

The bill also directs the Public Utilities Commission to repeal rules that established the standards that comprised the Maine Model Building Energy Code.

### **Committee Amendment "A" (S-47)**

This amendment removes the definition of "ASHRAE standards" from the bill and repeals the definition of "ASHRAE Standard 62-2001" in the Energy Efficiency Building Performance Standards Act because the use of terms "ASHRAE standards" and "ASHREA Standard 62-2001" are only in sections of the law proposed to be repealed by this bill.

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**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 120 repeals definitions dealing with the energy efficiency building performance standards to reflect the changes made by the enactment of the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code. It also directs the Public Utilities Commission to repeal rules that established the standards that comprised the Maine Model Building Energy Code.

**LD 179      An Act To Amend the Anson and Madison Water District Charter**

**P & S 5**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUNPHY CLEVELAND	OTP-AM	H-22

This bill amends the Anson and Madison Water District charter by changing the date on which the terms of the trustees expire from November 15th to the date of the respective annual town meetings. The bill also strikes language that required the trustees of the Anson and Madison Water District, upon dissolution of the Madison Water District and the Anson Water District, to submit legislation to the Legislature to repeal the charters of the Madison Water District and the Anson Water District.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-22)**

This amendment adds provisions that repeal the Anson Water District charter and the Madison Water District charter effective September 1, 2014.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 5 amends the Anson and Madison Water District charter by changing the date on which the terms of the trustees expire from November 15th to the date of the respective annual town meetings. The bill also strikes language that requires the trustees of the Anson and Madison Water District, upon dissolution of the Madison Water District and the Anson Water District, to submit legislation to the Legislature to repeal the charters of the Madison Water District and the Anson Water District and instead automatically repeals those charters effective September 1, 2014.

**LD 196      An Act Regarding the Implementation of the Quality Assurance  
Program for Public Safety Answering Points**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAVERS CLEVELAND		

This bill directs the Public Utilities Commission, Emergency Services Communication Bureau to implement the public safety answering point quality assurance program established in 2010 through the use of one or more 3rd-party vendors and ensure that the financing of that program is accomplished with resources other than increased assessments to the municipalities subscribing to or providing the public safety answering point services.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

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**LD 215 An Act To Protect Landlords When Tenants Fail To Pay Utility Bills**

**PUBLIC 250**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MALABY CUSHING	OTP-AM	H-457

This bill provides that a landlord may pay a deposit to a utility to protect the landlord's property from the termination or disconnection of utility service due to nonpayment of utility bills by a tenant. The deposit may be used to continue service and the landlord is authorized to recover costs from the tenant. The bill also provides that a tenancy may be terminated upon seven days' written notice if the landlord can show that the tenant's failure to pay utility bills has resulted in the disconnection of utility service.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-457)**

This amendment replaces the bill. It requires, upon request of a landlord, a transmission and distribution utility to enter into an agreement with that landlord with respect to a residential rental property receiving transmission and distribution service in the name of that landlord's tenant to automatically transfer the service to the name of the landlord if the service would otherwise be disconnected.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 250 requires, upon the request of a landlord, a transmission and distribution utility to enter into an agreement with that landlord with respect to a residential rental property receiving transmission and distribution service in the name of that landlord's tenant to automatically transfer the service to the name of the landlord if the service would otherwise be disconnected.

**LD 219 An Act To Establish a Long-term Funding Source for the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW DUTREMBLE	ONTP	

This bill provides that 10% of all revenues derived from the use of state-owned land and assets for energy infrastructure development pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 122, up to a total of \$5,000,000 in any fiscal year and adjusted for inflation, must be deposited in a special fund and allocated to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to support the operations of that department.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to pass but addressed the issue of revenues derived from the use of state-owned land and assets for energy infrastructure development pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 122 in committee bill LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

**LD 247 An Act To Amend the Law Governing Appeals of Final Agency Action on Applications Concerning Wind Energy Development**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
VALENTINO	ONTP	

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Current law grants exclusive jurisdiction to the Law Court over appeals of final action by the Board of Environmental Protection or the Commissioner of Environmental Protection on applications for expedited wind energy development, general permits for tidal energy demonstration projects and general permits for offshore wind energy demonstration projects. Under this bill, a person aggrieved by any order or decision of the board or commissioner on an application for an expedited wind energy development may instead appeal to the Superior Court.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to-pass in deference to LD 1119, An Act to Establish Superior Court as the Forum in Which Appeals of Agency Decisions Must Be Taken, which was referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary, which raised the same issues raised in this bill.

**LD 248      An Act To Encourage Workforce Development in the Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Efficiency and Energy Conservation Trades and Reduce Carbon Dioxide Emissions      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GERZOFSKY BEAVERS	ONTP	

This bill adds as another category of carbon dioxide emissions offset projects funded by the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Trust Fund education and training programs for workforce development in the trades of heating, ventilation, air conditioning, efficiency and energy conservation.

**LD 275      Resolve, To Require the Emergency Services Communication Bureau To Expand the Existing Quality Assurance System      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAVIELLO HARVELL		

This resolve directs the Public Utilities Commission, Emergency Services Communication Bureau to expand its quality assurance system to include fire and police call processing and dispatching and also to expand its emergency medical dispatch structured protocol system to include equivalent fire and police protocols and to authorize necessary 9-1-1 funding.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 302      Resolve, Directing the Public Utilities Commission To Review Certain Electricity Distribution Charges Assessed on Businesses      RESOLVE 20**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GUERIN	OTP-AM	H-58

This resolve requires the Public Utilities Commission to review the 25-kilowatt distribution charge assessed against businesses that use 25 kilowatts or more of electricity at any time in a 12-month period to determine whether it is equitable and justifiable to remove this charge for a business for a month in which the business does not use 25 kilowatts or more of electricity if the business did not use 25 kilowatts or more of electricity in the same month in the previous year. The Public Utilities Commission is required to report its findings to the Joint Standing

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Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology no later than December 4, 2013. The Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology may report out legislation on the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

### **Committee Amendment "A" (H-58)**

This amendment, which replaces the resolve, more specifically defines the scope of the study proposed in the resolve and moves the reporting deadline from December 4, 2013 to January 15, 2014.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 20 directs the Public Utilities Commission to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology regarding the demand charges places on the medium rate class by investor-owned transmission and distribution utilities. The report must include information regarding how a utility determines whether a business should be in the medium rate class, the impact of demand charges on seasonal businesses, new customers and business innovation and recommended changes to a utility's terms and conditions to make demand charges more just and reasonable. The Public Utilities Commission shall submit the report to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology no later than January 15, 2014.

<b>LD 303</b>	<b>An Act To Authorize the Public Advocate To Publish and Distribute Consumer Information</b>	<b>PUBLIC 79</b>
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<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MACDONALD W	OTP-AM ONTP	H-46

This bill authorizes the Public Advocate to publish information and advice for consumers in the State concerning services such as telecommunications, electricity and gas delivery and supply and municipal drinking water services.

### **Committee Amendment "A" (H-46)**

This amendment allows the Public Advocate to publish information in any electronic format and removes the references to advice and municipal drinking water.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 79 authorizes the Public Advocate to publish in any electronic format information for consumers in the State concerning services such as telecommunications, electricity delivery and supply and gas delivery and supply.

<b>LD 304</b>	<b>An Act To Amend the Representation on the Telecommunications Relay Services Advisory Council</b>	<b>PUBLIC 40</b>
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<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
COOPER	OTP	

This bill removes the member on the Telecommunications Relay Services Advisory Council representing a cellular or wireless service provider and replaces the member with a member representing an Internet telecommunications relay service provider that provides service to customers in the State.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 40 removes the member on the Telecommunications Relay Services Advisory Council representing a cellular or wireless service provider and replaces the member with a member representing an Internet



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telecommunications relay service provider that provides service to customers in the State.

**LD 372 An Act To Transfer the Responsibilities of the Department of Public Safety, Maine Communications System Policy Board to the Bureau of Consolidated Emergency Communications**

**PUBLIC 19**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
YOUNGBLOOD KESCHL	OTP	

This bill transfers the powers and duties of the Department of Public Safety, Maine Communications System Policy Board to the Bureau of Consolidated Emergency Communications within that department.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 19 transfers the powers and duties of the Department of Public Safety, Maine Communications System Policy Board to the Bureau of Consolidated Emergency Communications within that department.

**LD 385 An Act To Improve Wind Energy Development Permitting**

**PUBLIC 325**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAVERS JACKSON T	OTP-AM OTP-AM	H-521

This bill improves the permitting process for wind energy development by providing for public comment and the opportunity for the public to request a hearing and by permitting an intervenor to request an adjudicatory proceeding. The bill provides that wind energy development constitutes a significant adverse effect on the natural environment if proposed in a fir-heartleaved birch subalpine forest natural vegetation community. The bill also requires that a wind energy permit must require best practical mitigation to reduce impacts on scenic, wildlife and other resources.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-521)**

This amendment is the majority report and replaces the bill. The amendment modifies the permitting process for grid-scale wind energy developments by providing for public comment and the opportunity for the public to request a hearing and by permitting an intervenor to request an adjudicatory hearing. The amendment provides a rebuttable presumption that wind energy development constitutes a significant adverse effect on natural resources if proposed in a Bicknell's Thrush habitat 25 acres or larger in which Bicknell's Thrush have been documented. The amendment also requires that a grid-scale wind energy development permit application must contain options for best practical mitigation to reduce impacts on scenic or wildlife resources.

**Committee Amendment "B" (H-522)**

This amendment is the minority report and replaces the bill. It requires that wind energy must provide a tangible benefit of lower electricity rates for ratepayers in this State and adds a new definition of "cumulative scenic impact" to allow for rulemaking to address potential cumulative impacts related to multiple wind energy generating facilities. It changes the size of the area in which an analysis of visual impact must be undertaken from 3 and 8 miles as in current law to 8 and 15 miles. Additionally, it creates a rebuttable presumption of unreasonable adverse effect on the scenic character of an area if the generating facility is located within 15 miles of Acadia National Park, the Appalachian Trail, a federally designated wilderness area, Baxter State Park or the Allagash Wilderness Waterway.

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**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 325 modifies the permitting process for grid-scale wind energy developments by providing for public comment and the opportunity for the public to request a hearing and by permitting an intervenor to request an adjudicatory hearing. It provides a rebuttable presumption that wind energy development constitutes a significant adverse effect on natural resources if proposed in a Bicknell's Thrush habitat 25 acres or larger in which Bicknell's Thrush have been documented. The public law also requires that a grid-scale wind energy development permit application must contain options for best practical mitigation to reduce impacts on scenic or wildlife resources.

**LD 441      Resolve, Directing the Public Utilities Commission To Develop a Plan To      RESOLVE 47**  
**Reform Regulation of Consumer-owned Water Utilities**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HASKELL DION	OTP-AM	S-94

This resolve directs the Public Utilities Commission to develop a plan to reform water regulation and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology no later than December 31, 2013. The Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology may report out a bill to reform water regulation to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature. It also directs the commission to seek to process any filings submitted by water utilities for exemptions under the laws governing utilities with as much deliberate speed as possible, within the constraints of existing resources.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-94)**

This amendment replaces the resolve and directs the Public Utilities Commission to develop a plan to reform regulation of consumer-owned water utilities. It changes the date for the commission to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology from December 31, 2013 to January 31, 2014. It also directs the commission to continue to process any filings submitted by consumer-owned water utilities for exemptions under the laws governing utilities with as much deliberate speed as possible, within the constraints of existing resources.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 47 directs the Public Utilities Commission to develop a plan to reform regulation of consumer-owned water utilities and to submit the plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology by January 31, 2014. The commission is directed to continue to process any filings submitted by consumer-owned water utilities for exemptions under the laws governing utilities with as much deliberate speed as possible, within the constraints of existing resources.

**LD 616      An Act To Amend the Expedited Permitting Area for Wind Energy      CARRIED OVER**  
**Development under the Jurisdiction of the Maine Land Use Planning**  
**Commission**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUNPHY SHERMAN	OTP-AM OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill amends unallocated language in Public Law 2007, chapter 661, "An Act To Implement Recommendations of the Governor's Task Force on Wind Power Development," to remove Carrying Place Township, Concord Township, Highland Plantation, Lexington Township and Pleasant Ridge Plantation from the expedited permitting

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area for the purposes of that Act and directs the Maine Land Use Planning Commission to amend its rules accordingly.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-527)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, requires the Maine Land Use Planning Commission to adopt major substantive rules to establish a process to remove a specific location from the expedited permitting area for certain wind energy development under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, chapter 34-A. This amendment prohibits the Department of Environmental Protection from accepting an application for a permit for an expedited wind energy development under certain circumstances in Carrying Place Township, Concord Township, Highland Plantation, Lexington Township and Pleasant Ridge Plantation until after the process for removal of a specified place from the expedited permitting area is established by the Maine Land Use Planning Commission. The amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**Committee Amendment "B" (H-528)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, replaces the bill. It requires the Maine Land Use Planning Commission to adopt major substantive rules to establish a process to remove a specific location from the expedited permitting area for certain wind energy development under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, chapter 34-A. It specifies that the process must include a petition and limits the removal to places that are adjacent to locations that are not within the expedited permitting area and requires that the removal of the place not compromise the fulfillment of the State's wind energy policies. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

The bill was committed back to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology. The bill was then carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145 as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 646      An Act To Remove the 100-megawatt Limit on Renewable Sources of Energy      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
YOUNGBLOOD DUNPHY		

This bill removes the 100-megawatt maximum capacity limit for a source of electrical generation to qualify as a renewable resource for purposes of meeting the State's renewable resource portfolio requirement.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 675      An Act To Amend the Charter of the Veazie Sewer District      P & S 13  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GUERIN	OTP-AM	H-138

This bill amends the territory of the Veazie Sewer District by including all of the Town of Veazie that lies between the Penobscot River and Interstate 95.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-138)**

This amendment requires the Veazie Sewer District to conduct the election of its trustees in the same manner and at

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the same date and time as the Town of Veazie elects its municipal officers and repeals the requirement that the election be held at an annual meeting. This amendment allows the trustees to establish a regular meeting schedule and establishes notice requirements for special and emergency meetings. This amendment authorizes the trustees of the Veazie Sewer District to set the date by which nomination papers must be made available to prospective candidates and the date by which completed nomination papers must be filed. The amendment also establishes a process for the recall of a member of the board of trustees.

Many of the concepts in this amendment were presented as a sponsor's amendment at the public hearing.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 13 amends the territory of the Veazie Sewer District by including all of the Town of Veazie that lies between the Penobscot River and Interstate 95. This bill requires the Veazie Sewer District to conduct the election of its trustees in the same manner and at the same date and time as the Town of Veazie elects its municipal officers and repeals the requirement that the election be held at an annual meeting. This bill allows the trustees to establish a regular meeting schedule and establishes notice requirements for special and emergency meetings. This bill authorizes the trustees of the Veazie Sewer District to set the date by which nomination papers must be made available to prospective candidates and the date by which completed nomination papers must be filed. The bill also establishes a process for the recall of a member of the board of trustees.

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 13 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 24, 2013.

<b>LD 676</b>	<b>Resolve, To Direct the Public Utilities Commission To Review Telecommunications Services in Northern Oxford County</b>	<b>ONTP</b>
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<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CROCKETT PATRICK	ONTP	

This resolve directs the Public Utilities Commission to review telecommunications services in northern Oxford County, including investigating whether there exists an anticompetitive concentration of market share by one or more telecommunications service providers that has resulted in a degradation of service to the customers of the providers.

The committee voted this resolve ought-not-to-pass at the request of the sponsor.

<b>LD 697</b>	<b>An Act To Increase Maine's Energy Competitiveness</b>	<b>INDEF PP</b>
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<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KATZ KRUGER	OTP-AM	S-292

This bill allows transmission and distribution utilities and gas utilities to provide grants and loans, including loans with on-bill financing, for customers converting to alternative energy sources.

The committee incorporated the concepts presented in this bill into LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

### **Committee Amendment "A" (S-292)**

This amendment strikes and replaces the provisions in the bill. The amendment authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to extend the number of customers who may participate in the pilot program for efficient electric heat

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pumps and extend the length of the pilot period, allows more flexibility in the manner in which incentives are provided to customers and clarifies that nothing in the legislation related to the pilot program is intended to limit any currently existing authority of the Public Utilities Commission to establish special rates with respect to customers participating in the pilot program, as long as the costs of the pilot program are recovered only from customers participating in the program.

The committee incorporated the concepts presented in this amendment into LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

**LD 774      *Resolve, Regarding a Fire and Police Protocols Pilot Program for E-9-1-1 Call Processing*      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HOBBINS CLEVELAND	ONTP	

This resolve gives the Public Utilities Commission the authority to conduct pilot programs at public safety answering points to examine the benefits of and resources needed to implement a statewide fire and police protocols program for E-9-1-1 call processing in the State's public safety answering points. The resolve also requires the Public Utilities Commission to submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over utility matters by December 31, 2014 regarding any pilot program conducted. The resolve also authorizes the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over utility matters to submit a bill to the First Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to-pass. It sent a letter to the Public Utilities Commission asking for more information on the proposed pilot program and stated that it intends to consider the pilot program in the context of the other bills related to E-9-1-1 and Public Safety Answering Points that the committee voted to carry-over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature. Please see LD 196, An Act Regarding the Implementation of the Quality Assurance Program for Public Safety Answering Points and LD 275 Resolve, To Require the Emergency Services Communication Bureau to Expand the Existing Quality Assurance Program for more information.

**LD 795      *An Act To Amend the Net Energy Billing Program To Allow Participation by Certain Municipal Entities*      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LONGSTAFF LACHOWICZ	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to amend the net energy billing program established by rule by the Public Utilities Commission to allow a municipal or quasi-municipal entity with a renewable energy facility that generates no more than 800 kilowatts to participate in the program.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to-pass, but carried over a number of bills related to renewable energy policies and plans to include net energy billing in its consideration of those bills. The bills that the committee carried over are: LD 646, An Act to Remove the 100-megawatt Limit on Renewable Sources of Energy, LD 1085, An Act to Establish the Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff, LD 1252, An Act to Improve Maine's Economy and Energy Security with Solar and Wind Energy and LD 1278, An Act to Ensure Equitable Support for Long-term Energy Contracts.

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**LD 796      Resolve, To Enhance Economic Development by Encouraging  
Businesses Adjacent to Electric Power Generators To Obtain Power  
Directly**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CAMPBELL R TUTTLE		

This resolve is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This resolve proposes to establish a stakeholder group to identify barriers to and incentives for the direct purchase of electricity by businesses adjacent to electricity-generating facilities, with the intent that the direct purchase of the electricity will decrease total electricity costs to the businesses. The stakeholder group may be chaired by a representative of the Public Utilities Commission, the Office of the Public Advocate or the Governor's Energy Office. Stakeholders may include representatives from the Public Utilities Commission, the Office of the Public Advocate, the Governor's Energy Office, the Department of Economic and Community Development, municipalities, business associations, transmission and distribution utilities, electricity generators and up to two Legislators appointed by the presiding officers. Other than the two Legislators appointed by the presiding officers, the members of the stakeholder group may be appointed by the Public Utilities Commission, the Office of the Public Advocate or the Governor's Energy Office.

The stakeholder group would examine the effects of exit fees, limitations on authority to construct electric transmission lines and the need for backup service from transmission and distribution utilities on the ability of a business to purchase electricity directly from an electricity-generating facility adjacent to the business's property. Additionally, the stakeholder group may consider the feasibility of designating businesses located adjacent to electricity-generating facilities as Pine Tree Development Zone businesses, regardless of the type of business, in order to encourage development in those locations so that the businesses may take advantage of the benefits provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 3210-E. The stakeholder group would be required to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology by January 15, 2014 the findings and recommendations of the stakeholder group, including any suggested legislation. The committee would be authorized to report out a bill relating to the report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

The committee sent a letter to the Public Utilities Commission requesting a report on the progress of a rate design case planned to be initiated at the commission during the interim. That case may affect this policy. The committee requested that the report be submitted by December 10, 2013 and that the report include any information that might be relevant to the committee's consideration of LD 796, especially any changes to rate design standards that may incentivize the direct purchase of electricity by a business from an adjacent electricity generator. The committee is also expressed interest in information relating to any changes in the way that stand-by fees are levied.

**LD 797      An Act To Strengthen Basic Telephone Service**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DAUGHTRY	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

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This bill proposes to strengthen basic telephone service in order to ensure that all consumers have access to a certain minimum level of telecommunications service that is reliable, affordable and adequate to meet the needs of consumers.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to-pass at the request of the sponsor.

**LD 826      An Act To Eliminate the Opt-out Charges for Smart Meters      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAVERS JACKSON T		

This bill prohibits a transmission and distribution utility from charging a customer a fee or a higher rate for declining the installation or for the removal of a wireless smart meter. If a customer declines the installation of a wireless smart meter, the transmission and distribution utility may decrease the number of times the electromechanical meter is read, but may not read the meter less frequently than once every 12 months, and may establish a rate collection method that is based upon the average electricity consumption of the customer.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 827      An Act To Increase Access to Natural Gas      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUNPHY WHITTEMORE	ONTP	

This bill requires a gas utility organized under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 2101 for the purposes named in that section that is authorized to supply gas in a geographic area as of March 1, 2013 but is not serving customers in that area and will not guarantee to serve those customers within 12 months of a request to serve customers in that area to allow another gas utility to interconnect to its existing pipes and requires the gas utility to provide wholesale service to that interconnecting gas utility for the purpose of serving customers in that area.

**LD 863      Resolve, To Reduce Greenhouse Gases and Consumer Energy Costs      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
YOUNGBLOOD	ONTP	

This resolve directs the Department of Environmental Protection and the Public Utilities Commission to work together to develop a new regional greenhouse gas initiative offset category for fuel switching and further directs the Department of Environmental Protection and the Public Utilities Commission to promote this category with other regional greenhouse gas initiative states. The Department of Environmental Protection is required to provisionally adopt major substantive rules regarding the offset category and submit them to the Legislature by March 1, 2015.

The committee incorporated the concepts presented in this bill into LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

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**LD 876      Resolve, To Establish a Working Group To Study Issues Relating to  
Broadband Infrastructure Deployment**

**RESOLVE 28**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JOHNSON C THERIAULT	OTP-AM	S-41

This resolve directs the ConnectME Authority to establish a working group to identify technical, legal, funding and jurisdictional challenges to the deployment of broadband conduit for fiber-optic communications and to develop solutions necessary to achieve and facilitate the deployment of broadband infrastructure. The resolve directs the authority to submit a written report of findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology and the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation no later than February 1, 2014. The resolve gives the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology and the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation authority to submit either individually or jointly a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature relating to the subject matter of the report.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-41)**

This amendment adds the Public Advocate and a representative of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce as members of the working group. It expands the scope of the duties to include consideration of dig-once policies to encourage broadband build-out to unserved areas of the State and removes the authority for the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation to submit legislation.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 28 directs the ConnectME Authority to establish a working group to identify technical, legal, funding and jurisdictional challenges to the deployment of broadband conduit for fiber-optic communications and to develop solutions necessary to achieve and facilitate the deployment of broadband infrastructure. The resolve directs the authority to submit a written report of findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology and the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation no later than February 1, 2014. The resolve gives the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology authority to submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature relating to the subject matter of the report.

**LD 885      An Act To Remove Obsolete Provisions of the Electric Industry  
Restructuring Laws**

**PUBLIC 116**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CLEVELAND HOBBINS	OTP-AM	S-52

This bill repeals provisions of the electric industry restructuring laws that:

1. Require electric utilities to issue unbundled bills to consumers that state the cost of the electricity separately from the cost of the transmission and distribution of that electricity;
2. Establish a consumer education program, and a funding mechanism for that program, regarding the implementation of retail competition in the State's retail electricity markets and its impact on consumers. The program was time limited and has concluded. The Public Utilities Commission is directed to transfer any remaining balance in the Public Utilities Commission Consumer Education Fund to the General Fund; and
3. Require each investor-owned utility to prepare a plan for providing transition services and benefits for employees who were employed by the utility on January 1, 1998 and are laid off due to retail competition, which is defined as,



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absent other just cause, a layoff that occurs after March 1, 2000 and before December 31, 2001. This provision is no longer necessary since that date has been reached.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-52)**

This amendment retains a provision of law repealed in the bill that requires generation service and transmission and distribution service charges to appear separately on an electricity bill and directs any funds remaining in the Public Utilities Commission Consumer Education Fund to be transferred to the Office of the Public Advocate for the purposes of consumer education.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 116 repeals provisions of the electric industry restructuring laws that:

1. Establish a consumer education program, and a funding mechanism for that program, regarding the implementation of retail competition in the State's retail electricity markets and its impact on consumers. The program was time limited and has concluded. The Public Utilities Commission is directed to transfer any remaining balance in the Public Utilities Commission Consumer Education Fund to the Office of Public Advocate for the purposes of consumer education relating to the electricity industry; and
2. Require each investor-owned utility to prepare a plan for providing transition services and benefits for employees who were employed by the utility on January 1, 1998 and are laid off due to retail competition, which is defined as, absent other just cause, a layoff that occurs after March 1, 2000 and before December 31, 2001. This provision is no longer necessary since that date has been reached.

**LD 894 An Act To Provide Customers with Itemized Bills**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MONAGHAN-DERRIG VALENTINO	ONTP	

This bill requires each provider of cable television, phone or Internet services to annually furnish by the United States Postal Service to each of its customers with an account address in this State an itemized bill that includes an explanation of all charges, fees and taxes applicable to the customer's account.

**LD 927 An Act To Further Energy Independence for the State**

**PUBLIC 415**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCGOWAN	OTP-AM	H-554

This bill requires a new comprehensive state energy plan to be drafted by the Governor's Energy Office and a new climate action plan to be drafted by the Department of Environmental Protection. This bill establishes new fossil fuel reduction, energy efficiency and renewable energy goals. This bill encourages, and in some cases requires, consultation between the Governor's Energy Office, the Efficiency Maine Trust, the Department of Environmental Protection, the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over natural resources matters and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over energy matters in the drafting of the plans or reporting out of legislation in response to the plans.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-554)**

This amendment consolidates various reporting requirements of the Governor's Energy Office into two primary

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reports, the annual report under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 2, section 9, subsection 3, paragraph C-1 and the biennial update to the comprehensive state energy plan under Title 2, section 9, subsection 3, paragraph C.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 415 consolidates various reporting requirements of the Governor's Energy Office into two primary reports, the annual report under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 2, section 9, subsection 3, paragraph C-1 and the biennial update to the comprehensive state energy plan under Title 2, section 9, subsection 3, paragraph C.

**LD 948 An Act To Promote the Installation of Masonry Stoves**

**PUBLIC 157**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JOHNSON C MCCABE	OTP-AM	S-51

This bill provides that renewable energy installations under "the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act" include masonry stoves.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-51)**

This amendment clarifies that masonry stoves and wood pellet systems are types of biomass systems.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 157 makes it explicit that a masonry stove is a type of biomass system that is considered a renewable energy installation under "the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act."

**LD 950 An Act To Establish the Electromagnetic Field Safety Act**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANDERSON		

This bill requires that, beginning October 1, 2013, all new transmission line and electrical installations capable of carrying 5,000 volts or more of electricity must be set back at least 300 feet from residential homes, residential care facilities, hospitals, schools, licensed daycare facilities, playgrounds, youth centers, religious facilities and youth camps.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

The committee sent a letter to the Public Utilities Commission requesting specific information regarding electromagnetic fields and transmission lines be submitted to the committee by November 30, 2013.

**LD 964 An Act To Encourage Community-based Renewable Energy**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FREDETTE CUSHING	ONTP	

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This bill amends the Community-based Renewable Energy Act to remove the requirement that a program participant be located within the service territory of an investor-owned transmission and distribution utility with whom it contracts.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to-pass, but carried over a number of bills related to renewable energy policies and plans to include community-based renewable energy in its consideration of those bills. The bills that the committee carried over are: LD 646, An Act to Remove the 100-megawatt Limit on Renewable Sources of Energy, LD 1085, An Act to Establish the Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff, LD 1252, An Act to Improve Maine's Economy and Energy Security with Solar and Wind Energy and LD 1278, An Act to Ensure Equitable Support for Long-term Energy Contracts.

**LD 965      An Act To Improve Maine's Underground Facility Damage Prevention Program      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAULIEU CLEVELAND		

This bill establishes the Dig Safe Advisory Board, which will collaborate with the Public Utilities Commission for the purpose of improving the protection of underground facilities. The bill also requires that persons who own underground facilities and who are not members of the underground facility damage prevention system register their facilities with the Public Utilities Commission and provide the commission with current 24-hour contact information for purposes of notification regarding excavations.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1004      An Act To Clarify Voting Procedures for Standard Water Districts      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HOBBS		

This bill clarifies voting procedures for standard water districts. Currently, standard district charters and charter amendments approved by the Legislature and the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, sections 6410, 6413 and 6413-A use language to the effect that referendum elections or trustee elections must be conducted in accordance with the laws relating to municipal elections without explicitly stating that the secret ballot method of voting is to be used. This bill clarifies that secret ballot voting in accordance with Title 30-A, section 2528 is the method to be used to enact or amend a standard district charter by referendum, to elect trustees or to establish or amend a debt limit by referendum, even if a municipality in which the standard district is located has not accepted this method of voting.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

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**LD 1012 An Act Regarding Automated Calls**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAULIEU	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to strengthen the complaint process, enforcement and penalties regarding the laws involving telephone solicitations, particularly automated telephone solicitations for political candidates or issues or by nonprofit organizations.

**LD 1013 An Act To Create the Children's Wireless Protection Act**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BOLAND COLLINS		

This bill provides that a retailer may not sell at retail in this State a cellular telephone unless the cellular telephone and its packaging bear a warning label relating to the potential health effects associated with nonthermal effects of cellular telephone radiation. It requires the manufacturer of the cellular telephone to provide the warning labels to the retailer at no cost to the retailer. The bill also requires that any safety notification supplied by a cellular telephone manufacturer must have the language of the safety notification plainly visible on the outside of the product package or, if using a label, the label must be plainly visible on the outside of the package. This bill also requires the retailer to provide an information bulletin to the purchaser of a cellular telephone informing the purchaser of potential health risks associated with the use of cellular telephones. A violation of this provision is a violation of the Maine Unfair Trade Practices Act.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1026 An Act To Amend the Charter of the Ashland Water and Sewer District**

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<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON T NADEAU A	OTP-AM	S-69

This bill gives the Ashland Water and Sewer District the authority to impose a lien on the property of an individual, firm or corporation for nonpayment of assessments established by the district for service used by the individual, firm or corporation.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-69)**

This amendment imposes a lien on the property of an individual, firm or corporation for nonpayment of assessments established by the Ashland Water and Sewer District for service used by the individual, firm or corporation, subject to approval through a local referendum.

**Enacted Law Summary**

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Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 10 imposes a lien on the property of an individual, firm or corporation for nonpayment of assessments established by the Ashland Water and Sewer District for service used by the individual, firm or corporation, subject to approval through a local referendum.

**LD 1060 An Act To Address Rising Electric Transmission Rates**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
NEWENDYKE		

This bill requires that the Public Utilities Commission may not issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction of a transmission line unless a description of the need for the proposed transmission line is provided; an analysis of nontransmission alternatives is conducted by an independent 3rd party selected by the Public Utilities Commission; the projected cost of the proposed transmission line is compared to the projected cost of feasible nontransmission alternatives based on total projected costs, regardless of who pays; preference is given to lower-cost alternatives; cleaner alternatives are given preference over alternatives that rely on fossil fuels; the Public Utilities Commission makes specific findings as to whether alternatives can address the identified need at lower total cost; and all cost-effective energy efficiency and demand response resources are being acquired in the applicable service territory of the utility that has proposed the project. This bill requires that, when the commission determines that the nontransmission alternatives can address the need at lower total cost but represent a larger increased cost to ratepayers of the State than the proposed transmission line, the commission make reasonable efforts to achieve an agreement among the states within the New England independent system operator region to allocate the cost of the nontransmission alternatives among the ratepayers of the region using the allocation method used for transmission lines or another allocation method that results in lower increased cost to ratepayers of the State.

This bill also requires that lower-voltage projects that are capable of operating at less than 69 kilovolts and projected to cost in excess of \$20,000,000 must be reviewed and approved by the Public Utilities Commission before erection of the transmission line. The bill also establishes standards the Public Utilities Commission must use to review a lower-voltage project.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1061 An Act To Regulate Meteorological Data-gathering Towers in Maine**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUNPHY	ONTP	

This bill requires applicants for wind energy permits to submit to the permitting municipality, the Maine Land Use Planning Commission or the Department of Environmental Protection a detailed summary of the data from each meteorological tower the applicant used in evaluating the suitability of a site for a wind energy development. The bill also requires municipalities, the Maine Land Use Planning Commission and the Department of Environmental Protection to provide certain notifications relating to permits for the construction or installation of a meteorological tower. The required notifications include notice to landowners within 8 miles of the tower, publication in daily and weekly newspapers and posting on the Internet.

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**LD 1085 An Act To Establish the Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JOHNSON C		

This bill requires the Public Utilities Commission to establish a renewable energy resources feed-in tariff program to encourage the rapid and sustainable development of renewable energy resources and technology for environmentally healthy generation of electricity. It requires that utilities purchase renewably produced electricity from all qualified suppliers. It sets the rate that electric utilities must pay for such power. It requires that utilities enter into a standard contract with all renewable energy suppliers for a set term. It establishes for the Public Utilities Commission management and oversight responsibilities.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1115 Resolve, Directing the Public Utilities Commission To Convene a Stakeholder Group To Study Reimbursement for Installation of Utility Poles**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CROCKETT	ONTP	

This resolve directs the Public Utilities Commission to convene a stakeholder group to study the issues surrounding reimbursement for the installation of utility poles and to report its findings, including suggested legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology no later than January 1, 2014.

**LD 1145 An Act To Help Homeowners Reduce Heating Costs through Energy Efficiency**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CHAPMAN	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to extend resources to the Efficiency Maine Trust to facilitate coordination of services, such as weatherization, heat pumping, heating oil efficiency programs and other energy conservation strategies.

**LD 1146 An Act To Encourage the Use of Renewable Energy**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DORNEY BOYLE	ONTP	

This bill adds specific requirements for the Public Utilities Commission regarding net energy billing. The requirements specify that net energy billing credits do not expire, that the credits are transferable, that there is no

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ownership requirement to qualify for net energy billing, that there is no limit on the number of meters that may be net metered against an eligible facility and that eligible facilities may have a generating capacity of up to 2 megawatts.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to-pass, but carried over a number of bills related to renewable energy policies and plans to include net energy billing in its consideration of those bills. The bills that the committee carried over are: LD 646, An Act to Remove the 100-megawatt Limit on Renewable Sources of Energy, LD 1085, An Act to Establish the Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff, LD 1252, An Act to Improve Maine's Economy and Energy Security with Solar and Wind Energy and LD 1278, An Act to Ensure Equitable Support for Long-term Energy Contracts.

**LD 1147 An Act To Protect Maine's Scenic Character**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAYES	REF TO EUT/OTP-AM OTP-AM	

This bill makes several changes to the scenic impact provisions of the laws governing expedited permitting of grid-scale wind energy development enacted in 2008. It offers the possibility of protecting scenic resources that have been identified as significant by municipalities in their comprehensive plans and the scenic resources of certain great ponds on which there are commercial sporting camps; increases from 8 miles to 15 miles the jurisdictional distance for requiring visual impact assessments; and creates a rebuttable presumption that proposed grid-scale wind energy development projects within 15 miles of Acadia National Park, Baxter State Park, the Appalachian Trail, a federally designated wilderness area or the Allagash Wilderness Waterway will have an unreasonable adverse effect on a scenic resource. It requires the Department of Environmental Protection to consider the cumulative impacts of development when permitting grid-scale wind energy development projects under the laws governing expedited permitting of grid-scale wind energy development. It requires the Department of Environmental Protection to undertake rulemaking with respect to required decommissioning plans and directs updates of the great ponds studies done in 1987 and 1989.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-550)**

This amendment replaces the bill. It adds a new definition of "cumulative scenic impact or effect" to address potential cumulative impacts related to multiple wind energy generating facilities that are observed from a scenic resource of state or national significance. It changes the size of the area in which an analysis of visual impact must be undertaken from 3 and 8 miles currently to 8 and 15 miles. It creates a rebuttable presumption of unreasonable adverse effect on scenic character if the generating facility is located within 15 miles of Acadia National Park, the Appalachian Trail, a federally designated wilderness area, Baxter State Park or the Allagash Wilderness Waterway.

This amendment was reported out by the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources. The bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology.

The bill was then carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145 as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1187 An Act To Create the Maine Energy Cost Reduction Authority**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FREDETTE CLEVELAND	ONTP	

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This bill establishes the Maine Energy Cost Reduction Authority for the purpose of entering into contracts to procure and resell natural gas pipeline capacity and electric energy and capacity, to identify and designate corridors for the construction of natural gas transmission pipelines and to enter into long-term contracts for the use of natural gas pipeline corridors through the development of natural gas pipelines.

The committee incorporated the concepts presented in this bill into LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

**LD 1242 An Act To Dissolve the Anson Water District**

**LEAVE TO  
WITHDRAW**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUNPHY		

This bill dissolves the Anson Water District on September 1, 2014.

**LD 1243 An Act Regarding Next Generation 9-1-1 and Making Changes in  
Surcharge Remittance for Certain Telecommunications Service  
Providers**

**PUBLIC 119**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HOBBINS CLEVELAND	OTP	

This bill expands the scope of E-9-1-1 services to include emerging communications technologies. This bill changes the E-9-1-1 surcharge remittance period from monthly to quarterly for local exchange telephone utilities, cellular or wireless telecommunications service providers and interconnected voice over Internet protocol service providers whose average monthly surcharge remittance payment for the prior calendar year is less than \$5,000 and allows the Emergency Services Communication Bureau to expend funds on emerging communications technologies.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 119 expands the scope of E-9-1-1 services to include emerging communications technologies. This law changes the E-9-1-1 surcharge remittance period from monthly to quarterly for local exchange telephone utilities, cellular or wireless telecommunications service providers and interconnected voice over Internet protocol service providers whose average monthly surcharge remittance payment for the prior calendar year is less than \$5,000 and allows the Emergency Services Communication Bureau to expend funds on emerging communications technologies.

**LD 1251 An Act To Lower Costs to Municipalities and Reduce Energy  
Consumption through Increased Competition in the Municipal Street  
Light Market**

**INDEF PP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
NELSON MAZUREK	OTP-AM	H-472



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This bill requires electricity transmission and distribution utilities to provide 3 options for municipal street lighting programs: the utility-provided services option, the municipally owned, utility-installed option and the municipally owned, installed and maintained option. Under these various options, the bill provides for how a municipality may be charged for the utility infrastructure services provided, how the location of street and area lighting will be provided on the utility poles, at what rates or by what methods the electricity delivery charges may be assessed and how a municipality may transition from one option to another during the course of any year.

The committee incorporated the concepts presented in this bill into LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

### **Committee Amendment "A" (H-472)**

This amendment strikes and replaces the provisions of the bill. The amendment requires electricity transmission and distribution utilities to provide new options for municipal street lighting programs and provides for how a municipality may be charged for the utility infrastructure services provided, how the location of street and area lighting will be provided, at what rates or by what methods the electricity delivery charges may be assessed and how a municipality may transition from one option to another during the course of any year.

The committee incorporated the concepts presented in this amendment into LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

### **LD 1252    An Act To Improve Maine's Economy and Energy Security with Solar and Wind Energy**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MORRISON GRATWICK		

This bill reinstates the solar and wind energy rebate program, which provided rebates for the purchase of certain solar and wind energy equipment, until June 30, 2018. The program had expired December 31, 2010. This bill also increases the limit on the total amount of renewable capacity allowed under the community-based renewable energy pilot program from 50 megawatts to 60 megawatts and requires the Public Utilities Commission to reserve 10 megawatts in that program for solar-powered generating systems. The bill increases the limit on the contract price the commission can authorize for eligible solar-power generation and indexes the price limit to the Consumer Price Index. It also extends the repeal date for the Community-based Renewable Energy Act from December 31, 2015 to December 31, 2017. The bill requires the commission to submit to the Legislature by January 15, 2014 a report on options for establishing a solar carve-out, or solar set-aside, an amount of energy purchased that must be solar, within the State's renewable portfolio standard.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

### **LD 1262    An Act To Reduce Energy Costs**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FREDETTE	ONTP	

This bill establishes the Energy Cost Reduction Oversight Board.

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This bill gives the Finance Authority of Maine the authority to issue revenue obligation securities to finance an energy cost-reduction contract.

This bill gives the Director of the Governor's Energy Office the authority to submit energy cost-reduction contract proposals to procure natural gas pipeline capacity or to lease the use of property, lands or waters of the State for the purposes of gas, water or electricity transmission corridors to the Energy Cost Reduction Oversight Board and the Public Utilities Commission for approval.

This bill establishes the standards for the Energy Cost Reduction Oversight Board and the Public Utilities Commission to approve an energy cost-reduction contract.

This bill requires the Director of the Governor's Energy Office to notify the Legislature when an energy cost-reduction contract proposal is submitted to the Public Utilities Commission for approval.

This bill gives the Public Utilities Commission authority to direct an investor-owned transmission and distribution utility, a natural gas utility and a natural gas pipeline utility to assess ratepayers for the cost of an energy cost-reduction contract, the bonds associated with an energy cost-reduction contract and the administration of an energy cost-reduction contract.

This bill establishes the Energy Cost Reduction Trust Fund, to be administered by the Public Utilities Commission, to receive the revenue or profits generated from energy cost-reduction contracts and directs those funds towards initiatives to reduce energy costs for ratepayers.

This bill exempts energy cost-reduction contracts for the resale of natural gas pipeline capacity from the competitive bid requirements of the State Purchasing Agent.

This bill gives the Public Utilities Commission authority to investigate the exercise of market power by a gas utility, natural gas pipeline utility and any person who owns rights to natural gas pipeline capacity.

This bill authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to adopt rules to implement the provisions of this legislation.

The committee incorporated the concepts presented in this bill into LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

**LD 1278 An Act To Ensure Equitable Support for Long-term Energy Contracts**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
YOUNGBLOOD CAMPBELL R		

This bill ensures that consumers of investor-owned transmission and distribution utilities in the State equitably share in the costs and direct benefits of long-term capacity resource contracts and community-based renewable energy projects. The bill provides that eligible costs and benefits related to these contracts are determined annually based on a forecast and reconciled the following year. The recovery mechanism established in this bill applies to existing long-term contracts and replaces any other recovery mechanism currently in place.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

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**LD 1293 An Act To Create the Presque Isle Utilities District**

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<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WILLETTE SHERMAN	OTP-AM	H-458

This bill combines the Presque Isle Sewer District and the Presque Isle Water District to create the Presque Isle Utilities District.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-458)**

This amendment clarifies that the Presque Isle Utilities District is authorized to conduct its business in a way that is consistent with applicable federal, state and local law. This amendment corrects cross-references and clarifies the transition provisions regarding the terms of trustees. This amendment gives explicit authority to the existing sewer district and water district to transfer their assets and liabilities to the new utilities district and makes it clear that the transfer of assets and liabilities of the water district must be approved by the Public Utilities Commission. This amendment requires legislation to be submitted to repeal the charters of the Presque Isle Sewer District and the Presque Isle Water District once they are dissolved for the purposes of creating the Presque Isle Utilities District.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 15 combines the Presque Isle Sewer District and the Presque Isle Water District to create the Presque Isle Utilities District and requires legislation to be submitted to repeal the charters of the Presque Isle Sewer District and the Presque Isle Water District once they are dissolved for the purposes of creating the Presque Isle Utilities District.

**LD 1323 An Act Regarding Wind Power Siting in the Unorganized Territory**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAYES	REF TO EUT/OTP-AM OTP-AM	

This bill provides that before the Department of Environmental Protection may approve a proposal for a grid-scale wind energy development in the unorganized or deorganized area of the State, the Maine Land Use Planning Commission must certify that the area where the development will be located has been zoned for planned development and removes a legislative finding regarding wind energy development in the unorganized and deorganized areas of the State.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-549)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee and replaces the bill. It repeals the provision of law specifying that an expedited wind energy development is a use requiring a permit but not a special exception. It repeals the requirement that the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Maine Land Use Planning Commission make expedited wind energy development a use allowed with a permit in expedited permitting areas. The effect of the repeals is to require that, in order for a wind energy development in the unorganized or deorganized area of the State to receive a permit from the Department of Environmental Protection or the Maine Land Use Planning Commission, the development must be located in a subdistrict in which it is an allowed use. It also replaces a legislative finding regarding wind energy development in the unorganized and deorganized areas of

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the State and requires the Maine Land Use Planning Commission to amend its rules regarding allowed uses.

This amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

This amendment was reported out by the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources. The bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology.

The bill was then carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145 as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1325      Resolve, To Place a Temporary Suspension on Permitting of Certain Expedited Grid-scale Wind Energy Developments**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KAENRATH	ONTP OTP	

This resolve establishes a temporary suspension on the expedited permitting of specified grid-scale wind energy developments and establishes the Panel to Review the Permitting of Expedited Wind Energy Development to review the recommendations of the report issued in March 2012 by the Governor's Office of Energy Independence and Security entitled "Maine Wind Energy Development Assessment: Report and Recommendations." The panel is directed to evaluate specifically the 25 separate recommendations contained in the report and to develop recommendations regarding implementation of each of the recommendations and to include in its report any recommendations to extend or terminate early the temporary suspension.

**LD 1336      An Act To Dissolve the Lisbon Water Department**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAFTS MASON G	ONTP	

This bill dissolves the Lisbon Water Department.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to-pass but carried over LD 1396, An Act to Create the Lisbon Water District and intends to include the concepts presented in this bill in its consideration of LD 1396.

**LD 1342      An Act To Authorize the Public Advocate To Mediate Disputes Related to Rates for Sewer Service**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TREAT FLOOD	OTP-AM	H-352

This bill gives the Public Utilities Commission authority to investigate rate changes of sewer districts and sanitary districts, jointly referred to as "sewer utilities," if the commission receives a petition that meets certain criteria requesting it to do so. If the commission receives a valid petition, the rate must be suspended, investigated, reviewed and changed in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 310. The bill includes a process for

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sewer utilities to challenge the validity of the petition. The bill gives the commission authority to adopt rules regarding rate regulation.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-352)**

This amendment replaces the bill. It authorizes the Public Advocate to mediate between a sewer district and its customers with respect to a proposed rate change if 15% of the customers or 1,000 customers, whichever is less, petition the Public Advocate to mediate.

**LD 1348     An Act To Encourage School Administrative Units To Increase Their Energy Savings** **PUBLIC 366**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DORNEY	OTP-AM ONTP	H-353

This bill authorizes the Efficiency Maine Trust to develop an energy program targeted to kindergarten to grade 12 schools, including charter schools.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-353)**

This amendment adds private schools to the list of the types of schools that may take advantage of the school energy savings program at the Efficiency Maine Trust. It expands the types of payments that the Efficiency Maine Trust may receive from schools, removes the rule-making requirement and clarifies that funds that may be available from the United States Department of Agriculture are for school districts with a population of less than 20,000 people.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 366 directs the Efficiency Maine Trust, to the extent funds are available, to develop a program to provide energy savings improvements to kindergarten through grade 12 schools. The program may provide incentives and technical support for energy audits and provide financial assistance to schools, including, but not limited to, through loan programs.

**LD 1375     An Act To Enhance Maine's Economy and Environment** **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PATRICK	ONTP	

Part A of this bill repeals the Public Utilities Commission's authority to direct electric transmission and distribution utilities to enter into long-term contracts. It repeals the requirement that grid-scale wind energy developments provide tangible benefits to host communities and repeals the State's wind energy generation goals. It directs the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to develop protocols to accept public complaints related to wind energy developments and directs the Department of Environmental Protection to develop a process for a neutral party to conduct a public hearing on any wind energy development that generates significant public interest. The public hearing must be held before the department may approve an application or issue a permit related to a wind energy development. Part A includes provisions to decrease the visual impact of wind turbines at night. It also fixes cross-references.

Part B of this bill establishes a property value guarantee program to ensure that a landowner whose real property is located within 8 miles of the base of a wind turbine is compensated for any reduction in property value resulting from the proximity of the wind turbine. A wind energy development owner or operator is required to notify landowners within an 8-mile radius of a planned wind turbine of the property value guarantee program. Landowners

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may choose to enter into a property value guarantee agreement with the wind energy development owner or operator under which the wind energy development owner or operator must pay the difference in property value if the landowner's real property is sold within 10 years of entering into the agreement for less than the asking price that is either agreed to by the parties or determined by appraisal. A landowner who receives compensation for the location of the wind turbine directly from the wind energy development owner or operator is not eligible to participate in the program unless the wind energy development owner or operator waives the disqualification.

Part B of the bill requires sellers of residential real property to disclose to the purchasers whether the property to be sold is located within the State's expedited wind energy development permitting area or to provide information regarding an existing permit or a pending permit application for a grid-scale wind energy development within 8 miles of the property.

Part B of the bill provides a compensation provision for landowners whose property values have diminished due to the location of wind turbines permitted before the effective date of the new program.

**LD 1386 An Act To Allocate Net Revenue from Energy Corridor Leases on the ONTP**  
**Maine Turnpike for Purposes of Energy and Environmental Conservation**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HOBBINS	ONTP	

Current law requires that net revenue from the lease of an energy corridor on the Maine Turnpike's right-of-way be deposited in the Efficiency Maine Trust. This bill instead requires 10% of the net revenue to be deposited in the Efficiency Maine Trust and requires the balance to be used by the Maine Turnpike Authority for environmental and energy conservation initiatives either for the Maine Turnpike or for the State's broader transportation sector in joint projects with the Department of Transportation as currently allowed for in the turnpike's enabling act.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to-pass but addressed the issue of revenues derived from the use of state-owned land and assets for energy infrastructure development pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 122 in committee bill LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

**LD 1396 An Act To Create the Lisbon Water District CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON T BEAVERS		

This bill creates the Lisbon Water District.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

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**LD 1403      Resolve, To Require the Public Utilities Commission To Amend Its  
Rules Regarding Net Energy Billing**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WELSH GERZOFKY	ONTP	

This resolve directs the Public Utilities Commission to amend its rules regarding net energy billing to resolve inconsistencies in the rules adopted for net energy billing for small generators and the rules adopted regarding net energy billing authorized by statute by:

1. Increasing the eligible size for net energy billing to 1,000 kilowatts or less from the 660-kilowatt level;
2. Allowing third-party ownership of individual or multiple facilities;
3. Specifying that third-party-owned facilities are not competitive electricity providers;
4. Allowing groups of customers to participate in net energy billing without sharing ownership of the generating facility; and
5. Requiring a statement on contracts and agreements that the sale or delivery of kilowatt-hours of electricity to net energy billing customers is not subject to sales tax.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to-pass, but carried over a number of bills related to renewable energy policies and plans to include net energy billing in its consideration of those bills. The bills that the committee carried over are: LD 646, An Act to Remove the 100-megawatt Limit on Renewable Sources of Energy, LD 1085, An Act to Establish the Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff, LD 1252, An Act to Improve Maine's Economy and Energy Security with Solar and Wind Energy and LD 1278, An Act to Ensure Equitable Support for Long-term Energy Contracts.

**LD 1425      An Act To Create Affordable Heating Options for Maine Residents and  
Reduce Business Energy Costs**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUNPHY	ONTP	

This bill amends the Efficiency Maine Trust laws by including energy cost reduction as a central mission of the trust. Specifically, it allows all energy sources to be eligible for funding to lower the cost of energy for Maine residents. In addition, the bill reduces electricity rates for industrial consumers by redirecting cap-and-trade auction revenue to reduce electricity rates. The bill provides additional flexibility for funding through an assessment that addresses all energy challenges in the State. Finally, the bill amends the regional greenhouse gas initiative laws and makes modifications to the structure of the Efficiency Maine Trust Board.

The committee incorporated some of the concepts presented in this bill into LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

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**LD 1426    An Act To Improve Maine's Economy and Lower Energy Costs through Energy Efficiency** **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BOYLE RUSSELL	ONTP	

This bill changes the structure of the assessment imposed by the Public Utilities Commission for electric efficiency and conservation programs. The bill repeals the base rate of .145¢ per kilowatt hour and instead requires the commission to ensure that all electric ratepayers procure all energy efficiency resources found by the commission to be cost-effective, reliable and achievable and allows the commission to impose any order on transmission and distribution utilities necessary to achieve the energy efficiency savings.

The bill establishes a voluntary heating fuels efficiency and weatherization payment imposed on the transfer of a barrel of #2 heating oil or kerosene or the equivalent amount of propane. The voluntary payment is collected at the wholesale level and may not exceed 2% of the average retail price paid for a gallon of #2 heating oil or its equivalent in the previous year. The Efficiency Maine Trust may not collect the voluntary payment unless it is imposed on 90% of the fuel supplied to the State. The amount of the voluntary payment is set by the fuel dealers; this action is specifically excluded from any state law prohibiting price fixing or collusion. The voluntary payment is deposited in the Heating Fuels Efficiency and Weatherization Fund and is matched by an equivalent transfer by the Efficiency Maine Trust from the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Trust Fund.

The bill prohibits transmission and distribution utilities and natural gas utilities from recovering costs from ratepayers for grants offered to a customer for fuel conversion of the customer's primary heating or cooling system and allows the utility to use shareholder funds for grants or loans for fuel conversions under certain circumstances.

The bill requires that, during 2014, 2015 and 2016, at least 65% of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Trust Fund must be allocated for measures, investments and arrangements that reduce electricity consumption, and not more than 35% must be allocated for fossil fuel conservation measures, investments and arrangements. The bill decreases the percentage of revenue generated from the use of energy efficiency corridors owned by the Department of Transportation that is deposited into the Secondary Road Program Fund from 90% to 20% and increases the percentage of revenue deposited in the energy infrastructure benefits fund from 10% to 80%.

The committee incorporated some of the concepts presented in this bill into LD 1559, An Act to Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment.

**LD 1434    An Act To Clarify the Laws Governing Noise from Wind Turbines** **CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JONES		

This bill requires unregulated wind energy developments that buy and sell electricity to meet the same sound level standards that wind energy developments permitted under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 38, chapter 3, subchapter 1, article 6 must meet.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).



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**LD 1442 An Act To Establish a Pilot Natural Gas District in Maine**

**P & S 17  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
NADEAU C LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM	H-419

This bill establishes the Kennebec Valley Gas District, which is a pilot natural gas utility district.

The bill also requires the Public Utilities Commission to study and make recommendations to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over utility matters by December 2, 2015, regarding the need for further enactment of legislation to facilitate or promote the purposes of the establishment of municipal natural gas utility districts in the State.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-419)**

This amendment replaces the bill. This amendment establishes the Kennebec Regional Gas District to assist and help coordinate with the provision of natural gas from third-party suppliers or distributors of natural gas to the citizens, organizations and businesses of the district, including through grants, loans or other financial assistance; to assist in aggregating customers for the purpose of procuring natural gas supply to customers within the district who elect to participate in such aggregation; to provide grants, loans or other financial assistance to residential and commercial customers in the district to obtain natural gas or to assist such customers with natural gas conversions; to own, operate or assist in the development or operation of one or more facilities that use natural gas to cogenerate electric power and other useful energy; and to manage the district.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 17 establishes the Kennebec Regional Gas District to assist and help coordinate with the provision of natural gas from third-party suppliers or distributors of natural gas to the citizens, organizations and businesses of the district, including through grants, loans or other financial assistance; to assist in aggregating customers for the purpose of procuring natural gas supply to customers within the district who elect to participate in such aggregation; to provide grants, loans or other financial assistance to residential and commercial customers in the district to obtain natural gas or to assist such customers with natural gas conversions; to own, operate or assist in the development or operation of one or more facilities that use natural gas to cogenerate electric power and other useful energy; and to manage the district.

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 17 was enacted an emergency measure effective June 29, 2013.

**LD 1456 An Act To Promote Local or Community-based Generation Projects**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BOLAND	ONTP	

This bill:

1. Requires that all meters installed by an electric transmission and distribution utility be electromechanical;
2. Requires that electric transmission and distribution utilities have neutral wires with the capacity to return 150% of excess power to the grid and that the wires return existing power at a rate that is greater than 95%. The commission is required to certify that transmission and distribution utilities meet this standard for neutral wires;

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3. Creates a new class of electricity generators, small renewable generators, for the purposes of requiring a standard-offer service provider to purchase the electricity generated from the small renewable generators at rates higher than market value for the first 15 to 25 years that the generator is connected to the grid; and
4. Directs the Public Utilities Commission to develop a set of recommendations including tax and regulatory incentives to encourage the development of decentralized microgrids or community-based or neighborhood-based clean energy generation facilities using solar, wind and geothermal energy as nontransmission alternatives.

**LD 1457 An Act To Amend the Charter of the South Berwick Sewer District**

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<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
EVES HILL	OTP	

This bill amends the charter of the South Berwick Sewer District by changing the annual meeting to the first Monday in March instead of the 2nd Monday in March and increasing the compensation for trustees from \$150 per year to \$350 per year and the compensation for the chair from \$250 per year to \$500 per year.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 11 amends the charter of the South Berwick Sewer District by changing the annual meeting to the first Monday in March instead of the 2nd Monday in March and increasing the compensation for trustees from \$150 per year to \$350 per year and the compensation for the chair from \$250 per year to \$500 per year.

**LD 1468 An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Establish the High-efficiency Biomass, Pellet or Wood Boiler Rebate Program and the Home Heating Conversion Fund**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON T HOBBINS	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill establishes the High-efficiency Biomass Pellet Boiler Rebate Program, administered by the Efficiency Maine Trust, to give rebates to owners or occupants of buildings who install high-efficiency wood pellet boilers or heating systems in the buildings. The rebates are paid from the Home Heating Conversion Fund, administered by the Efficiency Maine Trust, which also provides funds to replace outdoor wood boilers that do not meet air quality standards as determined by the Department of Environmental Protection. The Home Heating Conversion Fund is funded by \$20,000,000 in revenue bonds issued by the Efficiency Maine Trust and paid for by the sale of sustainably harvested timber from public reserved lands.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-253)**

This amendment replaces the bill. This amendment:

1. Establishes three goals relating to the use of revenue from the State's public reserved lands: to support the harvest of timber from the public reserved lands up to the sustainable yield on a year-to-year basis, to support land management and public access to public reserved lands and to support certain heating system programs;
2. In fiscal year 2013-14 allocates \$200,000 and in fiscal year 2014-15 allocates \$345,000 from the Public Reserved Lands Management Fund to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Division of Parks and

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Public Lands to fund the building of infrastructure for land management and public access opportunities;

3. In fiscal year 2013-14 allocates \$500,000 and in fiscal year 2014-15 allocates \$1,000,000 from the Public Reserved Lands Management Fund to the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to fund a program, to be developed by the department, to provide funding assistance to the owners or occupants of residential buildings in this State to install high-efficiency, biomass-fueled, central heating systems or boilers as a primary heating source or to replace outdoor wood boilers that do not meet air quality standards established by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. Eligible systems under the program must have an efficiency rating of at least 80%;

4. Directs the Efficiency Maine Trust to establish a program to expand affordable residential heating options using funds allocated to the trust from the Public Reserved Lands Management Fund. The program must provide funding assistance for new heating system installations and improvements that will significantly reduce residential energy costs and greenhouse gas emissions, as determined by the trust. Consistent with the purposes of the program, the program must provide funding assistance to systems on a technology-neutral basis. In providing assistance under the program, the trust must consider tax or grant subsidies from the Federal Government. The trust may develop specific programs for regions of the State where options for home heating have the highest costs; and

5. Beginning in fiscal year 2015-16 and biennially thereafter requires the Director of the Division of Parks and Public Lands within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to determine the amount of funds needed to support the harvest of timber from the public reserved lands up to the sustainable yield on a year-to-year basis and to support land management and public access to public reserved lands. In fiscal year 2015-16, that amount must include \$450,000 to fund the building of infrastructure for land management and public access opportunities. Any funds in excess of that amount must be identified by the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry in the revenue estimated as available to be allocated to the Efficiency Maine Trust. The director also is directed to provide an annual report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over the Efficiency Maine Trust identifying the excess funds that may be allocated to the Efficiency Maine Trust.

**Senate Amendment "A" (S-301)**

This amendment replaces the bill. This amendment authorizes a General Fund bond issue to fund the High-efficiency Biomass Boiler Rebate Program to be administered by the Efficiency Maine Trust. The funds provided by this bond issue, in the amount of \$10,000,000, will be used to provide rebates through the Home Heating Conversion Fund for an owner or occupant of a building who installs a high-efficiency, biomass central heating system or boiler.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1471      An Act Authorizing the Board of Environmental Protection To Modify      ONTP  
a License for a Wind Energy Development**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KESCHL LANGLEY	ONTP	

This bill ensures that reductions in the sound level limits adopted by rule by the Department of Environmental Protection for the routine operation of wind energy developments are applied to previously approved wind energy developments. This bill directs the Board of Environmental Protection to modify an existing license for a wind energy development to implement sound level standards that were adopted by rule subsequent to the approval of the

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wind energy development.

**LD 1472 An Act To Provide for Economic Development with Offshore Wind Power and To Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment**

**PUBLIC 378**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KRUGER CAIN	OTP-AM	H-525 S-321 YOUNGBLOOD

This bill adds offshore wind energy developments and associated manufacturing as a targeted technology for support from the Maine Technology Institute.

This bill adds offshore wind energy developments and associated manufacturing as an eligible project to receive financial assistance from the Finance Authority of Maine.

This bill provides for a \$5,000,000 tax credit for ownership of offshore wind energy developments. This bill directs the Public Utilities Commission to implement a portfolio requirement that will guarantee the sale of any energy generated by an offshore wind energy development when the cost of that energy is substantially equal to market value.

This bill directs the Public Utilities Commission to identify specific criteria for issuing a certificate of public convenience and necessity for an offshore wind energy development and to submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature to establish the criteria in statute.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-525)**

This amendment removes the portions of the bill related to the Maine Technology Institute, the renewable portfolio standard and tax credits. It authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to issue a second solicitation for deep-water offshore wind projects under the provisions of Public Law 2009, chapter 615 if the original recipient of the contract does not move forward in development for any reason.

**Senate Amendment "D" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-321)**

This amendment requires the Public Utilities Commission to conduct a second round of competitive solicitation for deep-water offshore wind energy pilot projects and provides that the University of Maine deep-water offshore wind energy pilot project is eligible to apply for designation as a pilot project. This amendment requires that, in order to be included in the review of proposals, such additional proposals must be received before September 1, 2013, and that the commission make every effort to finalize a contract.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 378 explicitly states that offshore wind energy developments and associated manufacturing projects are eligible to receive financial assistance from the Finance Authority of Maine.

This public law requires the Public Utilities Commission to conduct a second round of competitive solicitation for deep-water offshore wind energy pilot projects and provides that the University of Maine deep-water offshore wind energy pilot project is eligible to apply for designation as a pilot project. This amendment requires that, in order to be included in the review of proposals, such additional proposals must be received before September 1, 2013, and that the commission make every effort to finalize a contract.

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**LD 1479 An Act To Clarify Telecommunications Regulation Reform**

**CARRIED OVER**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

This bill limits the amount of funds a provider of last resort service can receive from the state universal service fund. The bill establishes a procedure for the Public Utilities Commission to conduct an emergency rate case in response to a petition for a temporary increase in rates.

This bill provides that the Public Utilities Commission may not reassign the provider of last resort service obligation without the consent of the current service provider unless that provider is unable to provide the service in accordance with state law. This bill provides that the rate charged to customers for provider of last resort service must be uniform throughout the State for a service provider, must be within 2 standard deviations of the national average and may not be set at a level that will jeopardize the receipt of federal funding to support telecommunications services.

This bill amends the section of law related to the assessment to fund the Public Utilities Commission and the Office of the Public Advocate to include all utilities that were included prior to the enactment of Public Law 2011, chapter 623. It expands the assessment to include a person that provides voice over Internet protocol service over facilities that it, or an affiliated company, owns or leases, regardless of whether that service provider paid the assessment prior to March 1, 2012.

This bill is reported out by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology pursuant to Public Law 2011, chapter 623, Part A, section 25 and Part D, section 7. As required by the public law, the Public Utilities Commission submitted to the committee a report to create a framework for establishing rates for provider of last resort service and a report regarding assessments paid by voice service providers on January 15, 2013.

The Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology has not taken a position on the substance of this bill and by reporting this bill out the committee is not suggesting and does not intend to suggest that it agrees or disagrees with any aspect of this bill. The committee is reporting the bill out for the sole purpose of turning the issues raised in the Public Utilities Commission's reports into a printed bill that can be referred to the committee for an appropriate public hearing and subsequent processing in the normal course. The committee is taking this action to ensure clarity and transparency in the legislative review of the framework for setting the rates for provider of last resort service.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

This amendment, which is the majority report, replaces the bill. It clarifies provisions regarding the collection of the assessment on public utilities and qualified telecommunications providers to fund the Public Utilities Commission under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 116. It removes the requirement that providers of radio paging service contribute to the universal service fund. It prohibits the Public Utilities Commission from reassigning the provider of last resort obligation unless the current service provider is unable or unwilling to provide the service or has substantially failed or is likely to fail in providing the service. It establishes that a provider of provider of last resort service may file for a general rate increase under Title 35-A, chapter 3 and provides criteria for those rates. It allows the commission to approve a temporary rate increase for a provider of provider of last resort service with more than 75,000 working access lines through an expedited rate case or through a determination made 60 days into an investigation as a result of a filing for a general rate increase. This amendment allows the commission to provide no more than \$6,000,000 in universal service fund support to a provider of provider of last resort service with more than 75,000 access lines.

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This amendment, which is the minority report, replaces the bill. This amendment clarifies provisions regarding the assessments collected from public utilities and qualified telecommunications providers to fund the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 35-A, section 116. This amendment removes the requirement of the bill that all providers of voice over Internet protocol service that provide the service over facilities that the provider or an affiliated company owns or leases pay the assessment under section 116. This amendment removes the requirement that providers of radio paging service contribute to the universal service fund. This amendment removes the prohibition on commission reassignment of the provider of last resort obligation. This amendment adds specific records regarding cost allocation to the documents that must be filed for an expedited rate case.

**LD 1501     An Act To Apply the Precautionary Principle to Decision Making in Certain State Agencies**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BOLAND	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill requires the Public Utilities Commission and the Department of Environmental Protection to employ the precautionary principle in their decision-making process regarding a review of proposed action in matters of environmental safety and public health. The precautionary principle must be used in cases in which, after a review of the best scientific information available, there are reasonable grounds for concern that a proposed action will have potentially dangerous effects on the environment or human, animal or plant health although scientific uncertainty exists regarding these potentially dangerous effects. In cases in which the precautionary principle must be used, its use requires the burden of proof to be placed on the proponent of the proposed action to show that the proposed action presents no appreciable risk of harm to the environment or human, animal or plant health.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-460)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee and replaces the bill. This amendment provides that, in an adjudicatory proceeding initiated after the effective date of this legislation, if the Public Utilities Commission determines, after a review of the best scientific information available, there are reasonable grounds for concern that a proposed action that is the subject of the adjudicatory proceeding will result in serious or irreversible damage to the environment or human, animal or plant health, the commission may require, as a condition of approval of the proposed action, that all cost-effective measures be taken to prevent that damage.

**LD 1507     An Act To Include Useful Thermal Energy as a Renewable Energy Source**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON T	ONTP	

This bill provides that renewable energy credits may be based on renewable energy derived from geothermal, solar thermal or biomass thermal sources that can be metered, that is delivered to an end user in the form of direct heat, steam, hot water or other thermal form and that is used for heating, cooling, humidity control, process use or other thermal end use, the energy requirements for which nonrenewable fuel or electricity would be otherwise consumed. The bill requires the Public Utilities Commission by rule to provide a methodology for measurement of useful thermal energy and valuation of that energy for purposes of calculating renewable energy credits.

The committee voted this bill ought-not-to-pass, but carried over a number of bills related to renewable energy

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policies and plans to include the potential to incentivize useful thermal energy as a renewable energy source in its consideration of those bills. The bills that the committee carried over are: LD 646, An Act to Remove the 100-megawatt Limit on Renewable Sources of Energy, LD 1085, An Act to Establish the Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff, LD 1252, An Act to Improve Maine's Economy and Energy Security with Solar and Wind Energy and LD 1278, An Act to Ensure Equitable Support for Long-term Energy Contracts.

**LD 1517 An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Decision-making Authority  
Regarding Energy Infrastructure Corridors**

**PUBLIC 360**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HARVELL	OTP-AM	H-459

This bill makes the following changes to the laws governing the Interagency Review Panel.

1. It adds as members of the panel the Governor's senior economic advisor and the Director of the Governor's Office of Policy and Management within the Executive Department or the director's designee.
2. It eliminates one of the public members of the panel.
3. It requires that a decision by the panel regarding an energy infrastructure corridor proposal be approved by the Governor before the State may enter into a binding contract with respect to the proposal.
4. It specifies that payments for appraisal costs collected from potential developers of an energy infrastructure corridor must be deposited in the energy infrastructure benefits fund.

This bill also changes the date on which the section of law governing energy infrastructure corridors is scheduled to be repealed from July 30, 2015 to July 30, 2017.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-459)**

The bill removes a public member from the Interagency Review Panel; this amendment restores that member. The bill proposes to add the Governor's senior economic advisor to the panel; this amendment replaces this member with the Public Advocate. The amendment also provides that appraisal costs collected from potential developers may be used not only for the costs of appraisal services but also to reimburse members of the review panel for expenses.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 360 makes the following changes to the laws governing the Interagency Review Panel.

1. It adds as members of the panel the Public Advocate and the Director of the Governor's Office of Policy and Management within the Executive Department or the director's designee.
2. It requires that a decision by the panel regarding an energy infrastructure corridor proposal be approved by the Governor before the State may enter into a binding contract with respect to the proposal.
3. It specifies that payments for appraisal costs collected from potential developers of an energy infrastructure corridor may be used not only for the costs of appraisal services but also to reimburse members of the review panel for expenses.

This bill also changes the date on which the section of law governing energy infrastructure corridors is scheduled to be repealed from July 30, 2015 to July 30, 2017.

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**LD 1532 An Act To Provide Model Language for Standard Sewer District Charters**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>

This bill creates a model standard sewer district charter in statute. It includes standard language for the common provisions included in a sewer district charter. It also includes the mandatory requirements of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 38, chapter 12, except the requirement that a new sewer district be formed under the Sanitary District Enabling Act and that a proposed amendment to extend the boundaries of a sewer district be approved by referendum before the amendment is presented to the Legislature.

This bill repeals Title 38, chapter 12. The bill also fixes cross-references.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1537 An Act To Promote the Delivery of Natural Gas to Central Maine**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FREDETTE	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to promote the delivery of natural gas to the central Maine region.

**LD 1553 An Act To Maintain Competition among Electricity Suppliers Serving Northern Maine**

**PUBLIC 346**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON T WILLETTE	OTP	

This bill provides that the limitations on how much electricity an affiliated competitive provider may sell within the service territory of the distribution utility with which it is affiliated do not apply to competitive electricity service or standard-offer service in the service territory or any portion of the service territory of a distribution utility that is located in an area administered by the independent system administrator for northern Maine unless the Public Utilities Commission finds that the level of competitive electricity service and standard-offer service competition in the area administered by the independent system administrator for northern Maine is substantially similar to the level of competitive electricity service and standard-offer service competition in the area of the State that is within the New England independent system operator control area.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 346 provides that the limitations on how much electricity an affiliated competitive provider may sell within the service territory of the distribution utility with which it is affiliated do not apply to competitive electricity service or standard-offer service in the service territory or any portion of the service territory of a distribution utility that is located in an area administered by the independent system administrator for northern



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**LD 1559     An Act To Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote  
Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment**

**PUBLIC 369  
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

H-350    FREDETTE

This bill is reported by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology pursuant to Joint Order 2013, H.P. 1125.

**PART A**

This Part changes the structure of the assessment imposed by the Public Utilities Commission for electric efficiency and conservation programs. The bill repeals the base rate of .145¢ per kilowatt hour effective July 1, 2015, and instead requires the commission to ensure that transmission and distribution utilities have sufficient revenue from rates to provide for the procurement for the benefit of ratepayers of all energy efficiency resources found by the commission to be cost-effective, reliable and achievable and allows the commission to impose any order on transmission and distribution utilities necessary to achieve the energy efficiency savings.

This Part decreases the percentage of revenue generated from the use of energy efficiency corridors owned by the Department of Transportation that is deposited into the Secondary Road Program Fund from 90% to 20% and increases the percentage of revenue deposited in the energy infrastructure benefits fund from 10% to 80%.

This Part directs that funds received by transmission and distribution utilities pursuant to Maine Yankee litigation be paid 55% to the Efficiency Maine Trust and 45% to ratepayers pursuant to an order of the commission allocating the funds for the maximum benefit to the Maine economy.

This Part allocates 35% of Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative proceeds to residential fuel switching, as approved by the Efficiency Maine Trust, 50% to electric savings and thermal savings for commercial and industrial facilities and 15% to the Public Utilities Commission to be disbursed to transmission and distribution utilities for the maximum benefit to the State's economy.

This Part approves a pending long-term contract for energy efficiency resources as recommended by the Public Utilities Commission.

**PART B**

This Part gives the Public Utilities Commission the authority until December 31, 2018 to execute an energy cost reduction contract to procure natural gas pipeline capacity for the purpose of increasing the flow of natural gas into New England by 2,000,000,000 cubic feet per day.

This Part establishes the standards for the Public Utilities Commission to execute an energy cost reduction contract.

This Part requires consultation with the Office of the Public Advocate and the Governor's Energy Office when the Public Utilities Commission hires a consultant to assist in developing the terms of an energy cost reduction contract. An energy cost reduction contract may not be executed without approval from the Governor. The cost of the contract may not exceed \$75,000,000 annually. The Public Utilities Commission may direct a transmission and

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distribution utility, a natural gas utility and a natural gas pipeline utility to assess ratepayers for the cost of an energy cost reduction contract and the cost of the administration of an energy cost reduction contract.

This Part authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to establish and collect a volumetric fee for use of natural gas by Maine consumers for natural gas not provided to the consumers by a natural gas utility or natural gas pipeline utility.

This Part establishes the Energy Cost Reduction Trust Fund, to be administered by the Public Utilities Commission, to receive the revenue from the resale of natural gas pipeline capacity and to direct those funds toward initiatives to reduce energy costs for ratepayers.

This Part exempts energy cost reduction contracts and the resale of natural gas pipeline capacity from the competitive bid requirements of the State Purchasing Agent.

This Part gives the Public Utilities Commission authority to investigate the exercise of market power by a gas utility, natural gas pipeline utility and any person who owns rights to natural gas pipeline capacity.

This Part authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to adopt rules to implement the provisions of the Part.

### PART C

This Part prohibits the Public Utilities Commission from issuing a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction of a transmission line unless a description of the need for the proposed transmission line is provided, an analysis of nontransmission alternatives is conducted by an independent 3rd party selected by the Public Utilities Commission and the projected cost of the proposed transmission line is compared to the projected cost of feasible nontransmission alternatives based on total projected costs. Preference must be given to lower-cost alternatives with fewer greenhouse gas emissions. The Public Utilities Commission must make specific findings as to whether nontransmission alternatives can address the identified transmission need at a lower total cost than the proposed transmission line. This Part requires that, until December 31, 2015, when the commission determines that nontransmission alternatives can address the need at a lower total cost but represent a larger increased cost to ratepayers of the State than the proposed transmission line, the commission must make reasonable efforts to achieve an agreement among the states within the New England independent system operator region to allocate the cost of the nontransmission alternatives among the ratepayers of the region using the allocation method used for transmission lines or another allocation method that results in lower increased cost to ratepayers of the State.

This Part also requires that lower-voltage projects that are capable of operating at less than 69 kilovolts and projected to cost in excess of \$20,000,000 must be reviewed and approved by the Public Utilities Commission before construction of the transmission project and establishes the standards for approval.

### PART D

This Part amends the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Act of 2007 to provide consistency with regional targets, directs the Department of Environmental Protection and the Public Utilities Commission to work together to modify a current regional greenhouse gas initiative offset category to allow for fuel switching and further directs the Department of Environmental Protection and the Public Utilities Commission to promote this modification with other regional greenhouse gas initiative states.

### PART E

This Part requires electricity transmission and distribution utilities to provide new options for municipal street lighting programs and provides for how a municipality may be charged for the utility infrastructure services provided, how the location of street and area lighting will be provided, at what rates or by what methods the

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electricity delivery charges may be assessed and how a municipality may transition from one option to another during the course of any year.

### PART F

This Part directs the Public Utilities Commission to consider economic efficiency when designing rates.

### PART G

This Part authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to extend the number of customers who may participate in the pilot program for efficient electric heat pumps and extend the length of the pilot period, allows more flexibility in the manner in which incentives are provided to customers and clarifies that nothing in the legislation related to the pilot program is intended to limit any currently existing authority of the Public Utilities Commission to establish special rates with respect to customers participating in the pilot program, as long as the costs of the pilot program are recovered only from customers participating in the program.

### PART H

This Part authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to issue a 2nd solicitation for deep-water offshore wind projects under the provisions of Public Law 2009, chapter 615 if the original recipient of the contract does not move forward in development for any reason.

### **House Amendment "A" (H-350)**

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 369 is the result of a bill that was reported by the Joint Standing Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology pursuant to Joint Order 2013, H.P. 1125.

### PART A

This Part changes the structure of the assessment imposed by the Public Utilities Commission for electric efficiency and conservation programs. It repeals the base rate of .145¢ per kilowatt hour effective July 1, 2015, and instead requires the commission to ensure that transmission and distribution utilities have sufficient revenue from rates to provide for the procurement for the benefit of ratepayers of all energy efficiency resources found by the commission to be cost-effective, reliable and achievable and allows the commission to impose any order on transmission and distribution utilities necessary to achieve the energy efficiency savings.

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This Part requires consultation with the Office of the Public Advocate and the Governor's Energy Office when the Public Utilities Commission hires a consultant to assist in developing the terms of an energy cost reduction contract. An energy cost reduction contract may not be executed without approval from the Governor. The cost of the contract may not exceed \$75,000,000 annually. The Public Utilities Commission may direct a transmission and distribution utility, a natural gas utility and a natural gas pipeline utility to assess ratepayers for the cost of an energy cost reduction contract and the cost of the administration of an energy cost reduction contract.

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This Part also requires that lower-voltage projects that are capable of operating at less than 69 kilovolts and projected to cost in excess of \$20,000,000 must be reviewed and approved by the Public Utilities Commission before construction of the transmission project and establishes the standards for approval.

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This Part requires electricity transmission and distribution utilities to provide new options for municipal street lighting programs and provides for how a municipality may be charged for the utility infrastructure services provided, how the location of street and area lighting will be provided, at what rates or by what methods the electricity delivery charges may be assessed and how a municipality may transition from one option to another during the course of any year.

**PART F**

This Part directs the Public Utilities Commission to consider economic efficiency when designing rates.

**PART G**

This Part authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to extend the number of customers who may participate in the pilot program for efficient electric heat pumps and extend the length of the pilot period, allows more flexibility in the manner in which incentives are provided to customers and clarifies that nothing in the legislation related to the pilot program is intended to limit any currently existing authority of the Public Utilities Commission to establish special rates with respect to customers participating in the pilot program, as long as the costs of the pilot program are recovered only from customers participating in the program.

**PART H**

This Part authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to issue a 2nd solicitation for deep-water offshore wind projects under the provisions of Public Law 2009, chapter 615 if the original recipient of the contract does not move forward in development for any reason. This section of law was further amended by LD 1472.

Public Law 2013, chapter 369 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 26, 2013.

**LD 1562 An Act To Amend the Charter of the Alfred Water District**

**P & S 16  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE	OTP-AM	S-289

This bill amends the charter of the Alfred Water District by requiring a vacancy in the board of trustees to be filled by appointment by the remaining trustees.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-289)**

This amendment limits the appointment of a trustee to fill a vacancy on the board of trustees of the Alfred Water District to circumstances other than the normal expiration of a term. The appointed trustee may serve until the next municipal election.

**Enacted Law Summary**



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Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 16 allows the remaining trustees to appoint a new trustee to fill a vacancy on the board of trustees of the Alfred Water District due to circumstances other than the normal expiration of a term. The appointed trustee may serve until the next municipal election.

Private and Special Law 2013, chapter 16 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 21, 2013.

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**SUBJECT INDEX**

**Agency Matters -- PUC/OPA/OEIS**

**Enacted**

**LD 303**      **An Act To Authorize the Public Advocate To Publish and Distribute  
Consumer Information**      **PUBLIC 79**

**Dig Safe**

**Not Enacted**

**LD 965**      **An Act To Improve Maine's Underground Facility Damage Prevention  
Program**      **CARRIED OVER**

**E911**

**Enacted**

**LD 372**      **An Act To Transfer the Responsibilities of the Department of Public Safety,  
Maine Communications System Policy Board to the Bureau of Consolidated  
Emergency Communications**      **PUBLIC 19**

**LD 1243**      **An Act Regarding Next Generation 9-1-1 and Making Changes in Surcharge  
Remittance for Certain Telecommunications Service Providers**      **PUBLIC 119**

**Not Enacted**

**LD 60**      **An Act To Reduce the Number of Public Safety Answering Points**      **LEAVE TO  
WITHDRAW**

**LD 196**      **An Act Regarding the Implementation of the Quality Assurance Program for  
Public Safety Answering Points**      **CARRIED OVER**

**LD 275**      **Resolve, To Require the Emergency Services Communication Bureau To  
Expand the Existing Quality Assurance System**      **CARRIED OVER**

**LD 774**      **Resolve, Regarding a Fire and Police Protocols Pilot Program for E-9-1-1  
Call Processing**      **ONTP**

**Electricity**

**Enacted**

**LD 131**      **Resolve, Directing the Public Utilities Commission To Examine Measures To  
Mitigate the Effects of Geomagnetic Disturbances and Electromagnetic Pulse  
on the State's Transmission System**      **RESOLVE 45  
EMERGENCY**

**LD 215**      **An Act To Protect Landlords When Tenants Fail To Pay Utility Bills**      **PUBLIC 250**

**LD 302**      **Resolve, Directing the Public Utilities Commission To Review Certain  
Electricity Distribution Charges Assessed on Businesses**      **RESOLVE 20**

**LD 885**      **An Act To Remove Obsolete Provisions of the Electric Industry  
Restructuring Laws**      **PUBLIC 116**

**LD 1553**      **An Act To Maintain Competition among Electricity Suppliers Serving  
Northern Maine**      **PUBLIC 346**

**Not Enacted**

**LD 94**      **An Act To Prohibit Wireless Smart Meter Opt-out Fees**      **INDEF PP**

**LD 697**      **An Act To Increase Maine's Energy Competitiveness**      **INDEF PP**

## Electricity

### Not Enacted

LD 796	Resolve, To Enhance Economic Development by Encouraging Businesses Adjacent to Electric Power Generators To Obtain Power Directly	CARRIED OVER
LD 826	An Act To Eliminate the Opt-out Charges for Smart Meters	CARRIED OVER
LD 950	An Act To Establish the Electromagnetic Field Safety Act	CARRIED OVER
LD 964	An Act To Encourage Community-based Renewable Energy	ONTP
LD 1060	An Act To Address Rising Electric Transmission Rates	CARRIED OVER
LD 1146	An Act To Encourage the Use of Renewable Energy	ONTP
LD 1251	An Act To Lower Costs to Municipalities and Reduce Energy Consumption through Increased Competition in the Municipal Street Light Market	INDEF PP
LD 1278	An Act To Ensure Equitable Support for Long-term Energy Contracts	CARRIED OVER
LD 1403	Resolve, To Require the Public Utilities Commission To Amend Its Rules Regarding Net Energy Billing	ONTP
LD 1456	An Act To Promote Local or Community-based Generation Projects	ONTP

## Energy

### Enacted

LD 927	An Act To Further Energy Independence for the State	PUBLIC 415
LD 1517	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Decision-making Authority Regarding Energy Infrastructure Corridors	PUBLIC 360
LD 1559	An Act To Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment	PUBLIC 369 EMERGENCY

### Not Enacted

LD 219	An Act To Establish a Long-term Funding Source for the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife	ONTP
LD 863	Resolve, To Reduce Greenhouse Gases and Consumer Energy Costs	ONTP
LD 1386	An Act To Allocate Net Revenue from Energy Corridor Leases on the Maine Turnpike for Purposes of Energy and Environmental Conservation	ONTP
LD 1426	An Act To Improve Maine's Economy and Lower Energy Costs through Energy Efficiency	ONTP

## Energy Conservation

### Enacted

LD 948	An Act To Promote the Installation of Masonry Stoves	PUBLIC 157
LD 1348	An Act To Encourage School Administrative Units To Increase Their Energy Savings	PUBLIC 366

### Not Enacted

LD 248	An Act To Encourage Workforce Development in the Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Efficiency and Energy Conservation Trades and Reduce Carbon Dioxide Emissions	ONTP
LD 1145	An Act To Help Homeowners Reduce Heating Costs through Energy Efficiency	ONTP



**Energy Conservation**

Not Enacted

LD 1425	An Act To Create Affordable Heating Options for Maine Residents and Reduce Business Energy Costs	ONTP
LD 1468	An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue To Establish the High-efficiency Biomass, Pellet or Wood Boiler Rebate Program and the Home Heating Conversion Fund	CARRIED OVER

**Miscellaneous - Utilities and Energy**

Enacted

LD 175	An Act To Update the Laws Governing Energy Efficiency Building Performance Standards	PUBLIC 120
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Not Enacted

LD 1115	Resolve, Directing the Public Utilities Commission To Convene a Stakeholder Group To Study Reimbursement for Installation of Utility Poles	ONTP
LD 1501	An Act To Apply the Precautionary Principle to Decision Making in Certain State Agencies	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT

**Natural Gas**

Enacted

LD 1442	An Act To Establish a Pilot Natural Gas District in Maine	P & S 17 EMERGENCY
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Not Enacted

LD 827	An Act To Increase Access to Natural Gas	ONTP
LD 1187	An Act To Create the Maine Energy Cost Reduction Authority	ONTP
LD 1262	An Act To Reduce Energy Costs	ONTP
LD 1537	An Act To Promote the Delivery of Natural Gas to Central Maine	ONTP

**Renewable Resources**

Not Enacted

LD 646	An Act To Remove the 100-megawatt Limit on Renewable Sources of Energy	CARRIED OVER
LD 795	An Act To Amend the Net Energy Billing Program To Allow Participation by Certain Municipal Entities	ONTP
LD 1085	An Act To Establish the Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff	CARRIED OVER
LD 1252	An Act To Improve Maine's Economy and Energy Security with Solar and Wind Energy	CARRIED OVER
LD 1507	An Act To Include Useful Thermal Energy as a Renewable Energy Source	ONTP

**Telecommunications**

Enacted

LD 304	An Act To Amend the Representation on the Telecommunications Relay Services Advisory Council	PUBLIC 40
LD 876	Resolve, To Establish a Working Group To Study Issues Relating to Broadband Infrastructure Deployment	RESOLVE 28

Not Enacted

**Telecommunications**

Not Enacted

LD 38	Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 201: Provider of Last Resort Service Quality, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission	CARRIED OVER
LD 676	Resolve, To Direct the Public Utilities Commission To Review Telecommunications Services in Northern Oxford County	ONTP
LD 797	An Act To Strengthen Basic Telephone Service	ONTP
LD 894	An Act To Provide Customers with Itemized Bills	ONTP
LD 1012	An Act Regarding Automated Calls	ONTP
LD 1013	An Act To Create the Children's Wireless Protection Act	CARRIED OVER
LD 1479	An Act To Clarify Telecommunications Regulation Reform	CARRIED OVER

**Water/Sewer - Charters**

Enacted

LD 81	An Act To Amend the Charter of the Ogunquit Sewer District	P & S 3 EMERGENCY
LD 179	An Act To Amend the Anson and Madison Water District Charter	P & S 5
LD 675	An Act To Amend the Charter of the Veazie Sewer District	P & S 13 EMERGENCY
LD 1026	An Act To Amend the Charter of the Ashland Water and Sewer District	P & S 10
LD 1293	An Act To Create the Presque Isle Utilities District	P & S 15
LD 1457	An Act To Amend the Charter of the South Berwick Sewer District	P & S 11
LD 1562	An Act To Amend the Charter of the Alfred Water District	P & S 16 EMERGENCY

Not Enacted

LD 114	An Act To Amend the Charter of the Portland Water District	ONTP
LD 1242	An Act To Dissolve the Anson Water District	LEAVE TO WITHDRAW
LD 1336	An Act To Dissolve the Lisbon Water Department	ONTP
LD 1396	An Act To Create the Lisbon Water District	CARRIED OVER

**Water/Sewer - General**

Enacted

LD 4	Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Chapter 675: Infrastructure Surcharge and Capital Reserve Accounts, a Major Substantive Rule of the Public Utilities Commission	RESOLVE 9 EMERGENCY
LD 441	Resolve, Directing the Public Utilities Commission To Develop a Plan To Reform Regulation of Consumer-owned Water Utilities	RESOLVE 47

Not Enacted

*Water/Sewer - General*

Not Enacted

LD 1004	An Act To Clarify Voting Procedures for Standard Water Districts	CARRIED OVER
LD 1342	An Act To Authorize the Public Advocate To Mediate Disputes Related to Rates for Sewer Service	VETO SUSTAINED
LD 1532	An Act To Provide Model Language for Standard Sewer District Charters	CARRIED OVER

*Wind Energy*

Enacted

LD 385	An Act To Improve Wind Energy Development Permitting	PUBLIC 325
LD 1472	An Act To Provide for Economic Development with Offshore Wind Power and To Reduce Energy Costs, Increase Energy Efficiency, Promote Electric System Reliability and Protect the Environment	PUBLIC 378

Not Enacted

LD 247	An Act To Amend the Law Governing Appeals of Final Agency Action on Applications Concerning Wind Energy Development	ONTP
LD 616	An Act To Amend the Expedited Permitting Area for Wind Energy Development under the Jurisdiction of the Maine Land Use Planning Commission	CARRIED OVER
LD 1061	An Act To Regulate Meteorological Data-gathering Towers in Maine	ONTP
LD 1147	An Act To Protect Maine's Scenic Character	CARRIED OVER
LD 1323	An Act Regarding Wind Power Siting in the Unorganized Territory	CARRIED OVER
LD 1325	Resolve, To Place a Temporary Suspension on Permitting of Certain Expedited Grid-scale Wind Energy Developments	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 1375	An Act To Enhance Maine's Economy and Environment	ONTP
LD 1434	An Act To Clarify the Laws Governing Noise from Wind Turbines	CARRIED OVER
LD 1471	An Act Authorizing the Board of Environmental Protection To Modify a License for a Wind Energy Development	ONTP



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**LD 3      Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of the MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 21: Home and Community Benefits for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Health and Human Services**

**RESOLVE 15  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP	

This resolve provides for legislative review of portions of the MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 21: Home and Community Benefits for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder, a major substantive rule of the Department of Health and Human Services.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 15 authorizes portions of the MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 21: Home and Community Benefits for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder, a major substantive rule of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Resolve 2013, chapter 15 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective May 10, 2013.

**LD 8      Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Provide Coverage under the MaineCare Program for Home Support Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder**

**RESOLVE 24**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CHASE HAMPER	OTP-AM	H-68

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules for the MaineCare program with respect to support services for adults with intellectual disabilities or autistic disorder to provide that the teaching of home life skills is a covered service. The rules are designated as routine technical rules.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-68)**

This amendment replaces the resolve. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to request approval from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to amend the Section 29 waiver of the MaineCare program in Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III to allow the Department of Health and Human Services to add home support as a covered service. Upon approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Department of Health and Human Services is required to adopt rules to amend the rules on the MaineCare program in Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 29 and Chapter III, Section 29 to add home support as a covered service. Rules to amend Chapter II, Section 29 are designated routine technical rules and rules to amend Chapter III, Section 29 are designated major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A. Services under the Section 29 program remain capped at an aggregate amount of \$23,771 per year after home support is added.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 24 requires the Department of Health and Human Services to request approval from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to amend the

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Section 29 waiver of the MaineCare program in Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapters II and III to allow the Department of Health and Human Services to add home support as a covered service. Upon approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Department of Health and Human Services is required to adopt rules to amend the rules on the MaineCare program in Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 29 and Chapter III, Section 29 to add home support as a covered service. Rules to amend Chapter II, Section 29 are designated routine technical rules and rules to amend Chapter III, Section 29 are designated major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A. Services under the Section 29 program remain capped at an aggregate amount of \$23,771 per year after home support is added.

See also LD 969.

**LD 20      Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Review the Need for and the Costs of Services That Enable Populations Who Are Elderly or Have Disabilities To Live Independently      HELD BY GOVERNOR**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN GATTINE	OTP	S-331 HILL

This bill provides additional General Fund appropriations of \$1,500,000 in each of fiscal years 2013-14 and 2014-15 for the Department of Health and Human Services to fully fund the independent support services program, also known as the homemaker services program. This appropriation is intended to eliminate the waiting list for the independent support services program.

**Senate Amendment "A" (S-331)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve and directs the Department of Health and Human Services to begin by December 1, 2013 reviewing and analyzing the need for services for instrumental activities of daily living among Maine's populations who are elderly or who have disabilities, the costs of providing services, the potential for savings and projections of need. This amendment directs the Department of Health and Human Services based on its review of costs and potential savings to submit by January 1, 2014 an inquiry to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services regarding the feasibility of obtaining a Medicaid waiver or a state plan amendment to enable the State to provide coverage for instrumental activities of daily living under the MaineCare program. If in response to the inquiry the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services indicates that it is feasible to obtain a Medicaid waiver or state plan amendment to enable the State to provide coverage for instrumental activities of daily living, the Department of Health and Human Services must apply for the necessary waiver or submit the state plan amendment by July 1, 2014.

**LD 22      An Act To Promote Equity in Business Opportunity for Tobacco Specialty Stores      ACCEPTED MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAMPER VILLA	ONTP OTP-AM	

Current law allows the on-premises service, preparation and consumption of food and drink in tobacco specialty stores only if those stores were licensed for such services prior to January 1, 2007.

This bill removes the prohibition on the acquisition of such licenses by tobacco specialty stores subsequent to January 1, 2007.

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**Committee Amendment "A" (S-34)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee and replaces the bill. It allows a tobacco specialty store to be licensed as a cigar lounge and to be licensed to sell alcoholic beverages. A tobacco specialty store that is a cigar lounge may not sell cigarettes or prepare food on premises for sale. A tobacco specialty store that is a cigar lounge must provide notice about the dangers of environmental tobacco smoke to applicants for employment and employees.

**LD 23 An Act To Lower the Cost of Copies of Medical Records**

**PUBLIC 32**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HASKELL FARNSWORTH	OTP	

This bill reduces the maximum amount that a hospital may charge for copies of medical records for the first page from \$10 to \$5.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 32 reduces the maximum amount that a hospital may charge for copies of medical records for the first page from \$10 to \$5.

See also LD 1500, enacted as Public Law 2013, chapter 158.

**LD 29 An Act To Provide Support Services to Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder**

**DIED ON  
ADJOURNMENT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FLOOD SANBORN	OTP	

This bill provides a General Fund appropriation of \$1,000,000 in fiscal years 2013-14 and 2014-15 for the Department of Health and Human Services to serve individuals on the waiting list for services under the MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 29, Support Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder. It also provides corresponding Federal Expenditures Fund allocations.

See also Public Law 2013, chapter 368, the biennial budget, pages 266 and 359.

**LD 30 An Act To Provide Home and Community Services for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism**

**DIED ON  
ADJOURNMENT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FLOOD SANBORN	OTP	

This bill provides a General Fund appropriation of \$1,000,000 in fiscal years 2013-14 and 2014-15 for the Department of Health and Human Services to serve individuals on the waiting list for services under the MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Section 21, Home and Community Benefits for Members with Intellectual Disabilities



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or Autistic Disorder. It also provides corresponding Federal Expenditures Fund allocations.

See also Public Law 2013, chapter 368, the biennial budget, page 357.

**LD 62      Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To      CARRIED OVER**  
**Increase Reimbursement Rates for Adult Day Services**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MALABY MILLETT	OTP-AM	

This bill provides additional General Fund appropriations of \$130,000 in fiscal year 2013-14 and \$330,000 in fiscal year 2014-15 for the Department of Health and Human Services to fund respite services in the adult day services program. This appropriation is intended to increase funding for this program to \$450,000 in fiscal year 2013-14 and to \$650,000 in fiscal year 2014-15.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-372)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to increase reimbursement rates for adult day services programs within Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter II, Sections 19 and 26 and Chapter 5: Office of Elder Services Policy Manual, Sections 61 and 63 to \$12 an hour beginning October 1, 2013. It also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 77      An Act To Require Health Care Practitioners To Distribute Free      ONTP**  
**Samples of Medication in Certain Circumstances**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAUDOIN	ONTP	

This bill requires health care practitioners to distribute free samples of medication to a patient in order to test the reaction of the patient and the effectiveness in treatment of the patient's disease or condition. The requirement to distribute free samples depends on availability, appropriateness and timeliness.

**LD 78      An Act To Expand Transitional Assistance for Families      PUBLIC 97**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAUDOIN	OTP-AM	H-69

This bill expands transitional benefits for families that lose eligibility for assistance under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program and the MaineCare program because of increased income and for certain working families that receive supplemental nutrition assistance as follows.

1. For families that were eligible for MaineCare because their income was below 150% of the federal poverty level, it expands the upper limit of financial eligibility for transitional Medicaid from 185% to 200% of the federal poverty guidelines, extends the time period during which payment of premiums for transitional Medicaid is not

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required from six to nine months and, for families whose ineligibility is due to increased child support, extends the period of eligibility for transitional Medicaid from four to six months.

2. For families that lose eligibility for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families due to employment, it expands transitional transportation benefits from 12 to 18 months.

3. For families that lose eligibility for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families due to increased earnings or increased hours of work, it expands financial eligibility for transitional child care services from 250% to 300% of the federal poverty guidelines.

4. For certain working families that receive supplemental nutrition assistance, it expands transitional food assistance from \$50 per month to \$75 per month.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-69)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment allows the Department of Health and Human Services to make transitional transportation benefits available to families in which one or both adults are working and who, although they remain financially eligible for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families benefits, request that their benefits be terminated. The amendment directs the department to adopt rules on transitional transportation assistance for families who lose eligibility for benefits under the TANF program due to increased employment income. The amended rules must allow those families up to one year after termination from TANF assistance to apply for transitional transportation assistance. The rules are designated as routine technical rules.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 97 allows the Department of Health and Human Services to make transitional transportation benefits available to families in which one or both adults are working and who, although they remain financially eligible for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families benefits, request that their benefits be terminated. The law directs the department to adopt rules on transitional transportation assistance for families who lose eligibility for benefits under the TANF program due to increased employment income. The amended rules must allow those families up to one year after termination from TANF assistance to apply for transitional transportation assistance. The rules are designated as routine technical rules.

**LD 87 An Act To Improve Community Mental Health Treatment**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN FARNSWORTH	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to develop programs to provide services and housing to persons with chronic mental illness. The programs must be designed to ensure psychiatric rehabilitation and to improve the rehabilitation and recovery of persons with chronic mental illness. The programs must provide medically necessary health and mental health services to persons with chronic mental illness in the least restrictive setting that is consistent with the person's choice and individual treatment plan and within the person's chosen community and provide housing options to persons with chronic mental illness including a person's home or group residential setting or another configuration according to the person's choice.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-33)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The amendment replaces the term "psychiatric rehabilitation" with "rehabilitation and recovery." The amendment adds to the law amended in the bill, which is a general policy statement, language regarding the Department of Health and Human Services providing services that are appropriate to a person's needs, consistent with a person's choices and geographically accessible. The

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amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 88      An Act To Update the Maine HIV Advisory Committee**

**PUBLIC 108**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN FARNSWORTH	OTP-AM ONTP	S-32

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to review and update the structure and duties of the Maine HIV Advisory Committee, as established in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 12004-I, subsection 42 and detailed in Title 5, section 19202.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-32)**

This amendment strikes and replaces the bill. It changes the deadline for the annual report of the Maine HIV Advisory Committee from January 31st to March 1st. The amendment changes the membership on the Maine HIV Advisory Committee so that it includes two Legislators, five representatives of state agencies, four persons living with HIV/AIDS, two representatives of populations most affected by HIV/AIDS in the State, two providers of HIV-related services, two representatives of the public health community and two additional members chosen by the membership.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 108 changes the deadline for the annual report of the Maine HIV Advisory Committee from January 31st to March 1st. The law changes the membership on the Maine HIV Advisory Committee so that it includes two Legislators, five representatives of state agencies, four persons living with HIV/AIDS, two representatives of populations most affected by HIV/AIDS in the State, two providers of HIV-related services, two representatives of the public health community and two additional members chosen by the membership.

**LD 95      Resolve, To Create the Task Force on the Prevention of Sexual Abuse of Children**

**INDEF PP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MAKER HASKELL	OTP-AM	H-79

This resolve establishes the Task Force on the Prevention of Sexual Abuse of Children, which is directed to study issues regarding child sexual abuse in Maine and to recommend policies to address those issues. The policies may include age-appropriate curricula for school children from prekindergarten to grade five and methods to increase teacher, student and parent awareness of the issues regarding child sexual abuse. The task force is also directed to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, and the joint standing committee is authorized to introduce a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature based on that report.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-79)**

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This amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

**LD 123      Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Clarify the Processes Regarding Registration of Recovery Agencies for Tissue and Organ Donation**

**RESOLVE 58**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN KRUGER	OTP-AM	S-149

This bill enacts the Anatomical Recovery Organization Act to require a person or entity that performs anatomical recovery in this State to register as an anatomical recovery organization. The bill provides penalties for performing anatomical recovery without having registered. The bill requires records to be kept on the receipt, use, processing, transplantation, transfer and disposal of all human bodies and body parts. The bill authorizes the department to adopt routine technical rules to implement the chapter.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-149)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to examine the current processes for registration for recovery agencies engaged in tissue and organ donation and determine if the current policies and processes in the office of the Chief Medical Examiner and the department meet the statutory requirements under the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act. The department must consult with the office of the Chief Medical Examiner, the office within the Department of the Secretary of State that issues driver's licenses, the coordinator of the Maine Organ Donor Registry within the office of the Secretary of State, the Organ Donation Advisory Council, the New England Organ Bank and other interested parties including funeral directors. The department must report its findings, recommendations and suggested legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services no later than January 1, 2014.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2011, chapter 58 requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to examine the current processes for registration for recovery agencies engaged in tissue and organ donation and determine if the current policies and processes in the office of the Chief Medical Examiner and the department meet the statutory requirements under the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act. The department must consult with the office of the Chief Medical Examiner, the office within the Department of the Secretary of State that issues driver's licenses, the coordinator of the Maine Organ Donor Registry within the office of the Secretary of State, the Organ Donation Advisory Council, the New England Organ Bank and other interested parties including funeral directors. The department must report its findings, recommendations and suggested legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services no later than January 1, 2014.

**LD 132      Resolve, To Provide Organic Infant Formula through the Maine Women, Infants and Children Program**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAMANN	ONTP	

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules for the Maine Women, Infants and Children Program on contracting with the manufacturer of infant formula to make organic infant formula available to participants. It requires the Maine Women, Infants and Children Program to offer organic infant formula, as the sole product or as a choice, if the organic formula meets federal and state program requirements and is available for a cost that is equal to or less than infant formula that is not organic. It specifies that the rules are to be routine technical rules.

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**LD 145      Resolve, Regarding the Presence of the Department of Health and Human Services in Urban and Rural Areas**

**RESOLVE 23**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FREDETTE KATZ	OTP-AM	H-70

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to establish in each county of the State at least one office with appropriate staff to provide child protective services.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-70)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve and changes the title. The amendment directs the Department of Health and Human Services to review the distribution of offices of the department and the means by which the department provides necessary departmental presence and staffing to residents of the State in urban and rural areas. The amendment directs the department to consider the needs of all residents, both young and old, and the reasons residents are visiting the department. The amendment directs the department to consider traditional office-based services, part-time and donated office space, delivery of services by mobile means and by having personnel visit with residents in their homes and new options created by advancements in technology. The amendment directs the department to report by January 1, 2014 to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services on the results of the review and the options for and costs of improved service delivery. The report must include the costs and benefits of several options and the recommendations of the department.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 23 directs the Department of Health and Human Services to review the distribution of offices of the department and the means by which the department provides necessary departmental presence and staffing to residents of the State in urban and rural areas. The resolve directs the department to consider the needs of all residents, both young and old, and the reasons residents are visiting the department. The resolve directs the department to consider traditional office-based services, part-time and donated office space, delivery of services by mobile means and by having personnel visit with residents in their homes and new options created by advancements in technology. The resolve directs the department to report by January 1, 2014 to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services on the results of the review and the options for and costs of improved service delivery. The report must include the costs and benefits of several options and the recommendations of the department.

**LD 162      An Act To Repeal the Maine Certificate of Need Act of 2002**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MALABY CUSHING	ONTP OTP-AM	

Under current law, before introducing additional health care services and procedures in a market area, a person must apply for and receive a certificate of need from the Department of Health and Human Services. This bill eliminates that requirement.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-366)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. This amendment establishes a prior approval process for health care facility projects that will require funding from or will increase costs to the MaineCare program. "Health care facility" is defined as a hospital, psychiatric hospital, nursing facility, intermediate care facility for persons

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with intellectual disabilities, end-stage renal disease facility, rehabilitation facility, residential care facility, ambulatory surgical facility, independent radiological service center, independent cardiac catheterization center or cancer treatment center. The Department of Health and Human Services is directed to take into consideration the qualifications and experience of an applicant for prior approval, the economic feasibility of the proposed project, the public need for the project and compliance with standards for budget neutrality with respect to the MaineCare program. The prior approval process must include an opportunity for public comment and may include public information meetings, public hearings and notification, as specified by rule. Unused and reserved beds in a facility are exempt from the prior approval process. A fund is established to receive unused funding previously used for a facility bed funded under the MaineCare program and to assign that funding for use for new beds in underserved areas or for underserved populations. The department is authorized to adopt routine technical rules, except that rules regarding fees are major substantive rules. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**LD 164      An Act To Provide MaineCare Reimbursement for Pastoral Counselors      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAVIELLO	ONTP	

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to provide reimbursement under the MaineCare program for services provided by a licensed pastoral counselor beginning January 1, 2014.

**LD 180      An Act Concerning the Use of Tobacco Settlement Funds for Children's Health Care      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PLANTE LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill amends the law on the Fund for a Healthy Maine to require that funding for children's health care not be reduced in order to address a budget deficit.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-10)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, incorporates a fiscal note.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 181      Resolve, To Require Hospitals To Provide Information Regarding Testing for Krabbe Disease for Parents of Infants      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HARVELL	ONTP	

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to develop an information pamphlet on testing for Krabbe disease for dissemination by a hospital to all parents of newborn infants born at the hospital or to the parents of any child up to six months of age being treated at the hospital. The Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention is required to develop the pamphlet by

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December 1, 2013.

**LD 197      An Act To Improve Health Services to Schools**

**PUBLIC 78**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRAHAM BURNS	OTP-AM ONTP	H-75

This bill allows a family or pediatric nurse practitioner to serve as a health care provider in a school.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-75)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment renames school physicians, including family or pediatric nurse practitioners, school health advisors and clarifies that school health advisors may not act outside the scope of practice applicable to the school health advisor. The amendment removes from the bill a provision on local health officer duties.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 78 renames school physicians, including family or pediatric nurse practitioners, school health advisors and clarifies that school health advisors may not act outside the scope of practice applicable to the school health advisor.

**LD 198      An Act To Clarify Physicians' Delegation of Medical Care**

**PUBLIC 33**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DORNEY	OTP	

This bill clarifies that a physician or surgeon may delegate to the physician's or surgeon's employees or support staff certain activities relating to medical care and treatment without being present on the premises at the time the activities are performed.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 33 clarifies that a physician or surgeon may delegate to the physician's or surgeon's employees or support staff certain activities relating to medical care and treatment without being present on the premises at the time the activities are performed.

**LD 230      An Act To Establish the Commission on Health Care Cost and Quality**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRAHAM LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill establishes the Commission on Health Care Cost and Quality to monitor the accessibility, cost and quality of health care in the State. The bill also reestablishes the State Health Plan and requires the commission to develop the plan on a biennial basis.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-76)**

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This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment reduces the membership on the Commission on Health Care Cost and Quality from 20 to 13 members and corrects the schedule for staggered appointments. This amendment adds to the duties of the commission the duty to work in cooperation with the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to implement the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services state innovation model grant. This amendment allows funding to be provided by the state innovation model grant for the commission to coordinate with the department on health care innovation and reform. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 252      An Act Regarding Registration and Correction of Death Information on      PUBLIC 31**  
**Death Certificates**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN SIROCKI	OTP	

This bill adds the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner as a certifier of cause of death on a death certificate to accommodate the electronic death registration system. It also permits the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to electronically submit amendments to the death certificate using the electronic death registration system.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 31 adds the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner as a certifier of cause of death on a death certificate to accommodate the electronic death registration system. It also permits the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to electronically submit amendments to the death certificate using the electronic death registration system.

**LD 253      An Act Regarding Registration of Fetal Deaths      PUBLIC 14**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN SIROCKI	OTP	

This bill allows a fetal death certificate to be filed with the State Registrar of Vital Statistics as well as with the municipal clerk. The bill also authorizes a hospital or an institution to prepare a fetal death certificate with medical information provided by a physician or other person in attendance.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 14 allows a fetal death certificate to be filed with the State Registrar of Vital Statistics as well as with the municipal clerk. It also authorizes a hospital or an institution to prepare a fetal death certificate with medical information provided by a physician or other person in attendance.



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**LD 256      An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAUDOIN	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. This bill proposes to amend the current law dealing with recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families. The bill will require recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families to work with town officials and municipal officers to seek meaningful employment and will require recipients of such benefits to work or volunteer in order to continue to receive benefits.

**LD 257      An Act To Protect Newborns Exposed to Drugs or Alcohol**

**PUBLIC 192**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MALABY CRAVEN	OTP-AM OTP-AM	H-234

This bill provides greater detail regarding the timing and process under which notifications must be made to the Department of Health and Human Services by health care providers regarding infants from birth to 12 months of age who exhibit signs of fetal exposure to drugs or alcohol. Following receipt of such a notification, the department is required to prepare a plan for the safe care of the infant. The bill repeals requirements that the department investigate every notification to determine abuse or neglect.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-234)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The amendment amends current law on reporting to the Department of Health and Human Services by a health care provider involved in the delivery or care of an infant with prenatal exposure to drugs as follows:

1. The amendment changes "reports" to the department to "notifications" to the department and changes "suffering from withdrawal symptoms" to "demonstrating withdrawal symptoms that require medical monitoring or care beyond standard newborn care";
2. The amendment repeals the requirement that the department investigate all reports and authorizes the department to investigate as it determines to be necessary to protect an infant for whom the department has received notification; and
3. The amendment defines "fetal alcohol spectrum disorders" and adds it to the conditions of an infant that require notification to the department.

**Committee Amendment "B" (H-235)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The amendment amends current law on reporting to the Department of Health and Human Services by a health care provider involved in the delivery or care of an infant with prenatal exposure to drugs as follows:

1. The amendment changes "reports" to the department to "notifications" to the department and changes "suffering from withdrawal symptoms" to "demonstrating withdrawal symptoms";
2. The amendment repeals the requirement that the department investigate all reports and authorizes the department

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to investigate as it determines to be necessary to protect an infant for whom the department has received notification; and

3. The amendment defines "fetal alcohol spectrum disorders" and adds it to the conditions of an infant that require notification to the department.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 192 amends current law on reporting to the Department of Health and Human Services by a health care provider involved in the delivery or care of an infant with prenatal exposure to drugs as follows:

1. The law changes "reports" to the department to "notifications" to the department and changes "suffering from withdrawal symptoms" to "demonstrating withdrawal symptoms that require medical monitoring or care beyond standard newborn care";
2. The law repeals the requirement that the department investigate all reports and authorizes the department to investigate as it determines to be necessary to protect an infant for whom the department has received notification; and
3. The law defines "fetal alcohol spectrum disorders" and adds it to the conditions of an infant that require notification to the department.

**LD 272      An Act To Reduce Youth Cancer Risk**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRATWICK COOPER	OTP ONTP	

This bill prohibits tanning facilities and operators from allowing individuals who have not attained 18 years of age to use tanning devices.

**LD 276      Resolve, To Improve Access to Oral Health Care for MaineCare Recipients**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CAIN CAREY	OTP-AM	

This resolve increases MaineCare dental reimbursement rates for 20 preventive, diagnostic and restorative dental procedures to the 10th percentile.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-197)**

This amendment removes a reference to dental procedure D1203 and inserts in its place a reference to dental procedure D1208 in the list of preventive, diagnostic and restorative dental procedures in the resolve since D1203 is an obsolete reference. The amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

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**LD 305 An Act To Eliminate Institute Councils for Mental Health Institutions**

**PUBLIC 132**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DORNEY HAMPER	OTP	

The purpose of this bill is to eliminate obsolete language in the statutes. This bill repeals the laws establishing institute councils for the Riverview Psychiatric Center and Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center and fixes cross-references accordingly.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 132 repeals the laws establishing institute councils for the Riverview Psychiatric Center and Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center and fixes cross-references accordingly.

**LD 325 An Act To Repeal Provisions of the Law That Apply or Refer to State Facilities for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities**

**PUBLIC 21**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FARNSWORTH HAMPER	OTP	

This bill repeals the provisions of law that apply or refer to state-run facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities, including laws that allow for voluntary admission, involuntary admission and judicial commitment of persons with intellectual disabilities to state-run facilities. The State closed the last of its facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities in response to the 1994 community consent decree, Consumer Advisory Board et al. v. Glover, 989 F.2d 65, 68 (1st Cir. 1993).

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 21 repeals the provisions of law that apply or refer to state-run facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities, including laws that allow for voluntary admission, involuntary admission and judicial commitment of persons with intellectual disabilities to state-run facilities. The State closed the last of its facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities in response to the 1994 community consent decree, Consumer Advisory Board et al. v. Glover, 989 F.2d 65, 68 (1st Cir. 1993).

**LD 330 An Act To Require All Lodging Places To Be Licensed by the State**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PATRICK PETERSON	ONTP	

Current law requires lodging places to be licensed by the Department of Health and Human Services; lodging houses may be licensed by the municipality under the direction of state law. Private homes when not more than five rooms are let, rooms and cottages where not more than three rooms or cottages are let and fraternity and sorority houses affiliated with educational institutions are exempt from licensing by the State. Lodging houses with fewer than five lodgers are exempt from municipal licensing. The dormitories of charitable, educational or philanthropic institutions and houses used in emergency situations are exempt from both state and municipal licensing.

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This bill removes the exemptions from state licensing of lodging places, private homes and inns, requiring them all to be licensed by the State, and repeals the authority of a municipality to license lodging houses since it will now be done by the State. Fraternity and sorority houses affiliated with educational institutions, dormitories of charitable, educational or philanthropic institutions and houses used in emergency situations remain exempt from state licensing.

**LD 337      An Act To Require That Burn Injuries and Wounds Be Reported to the      ONTP  
Office of the State Fire Marshal**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LAJOIE DUTREMBLE	ONTP	

This bill establishes a requirement that health care practitioners report to the Office of the State Fire Marshal within the Department of Public Safety certain burn injuries and wounds. The bill authorizes the Office of the State Fire Marshal to adopt routine technical rules as required for reporting. The bill provides criminal and civil immunity for persons who report in good faith, abrogates the health care practitioner-patient privilege for the purposes of reporting, provides a rebuttable presumption of good faith and clarifies that a report made pursuant to the law is an exception to certain confidentiality requirements for the purposes of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 1711-C, subsection 6, paragraph F-1.

**LD 338      Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To      RESOLVE 17  
Adopt Rules Governing the Use of Certain Antipsychotic Drugs by  
Children Enrolled in MaineCare**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MALABY LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM	H-51

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules governing the use of atypical antipsychotic drugs by children enrolled in MaineCare to require that the prescriber of a drug beyond the recommended period provide documented justification and perform a timely assessment and ongoing monitoring of metabolic and neurologic variables in accordance with the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry's Practice Parameter for the Use of Atypical Antipsychotic Medications in Children and Adolescents.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-51)**

This amendment clarifies that the Department of Health and Human Services must adopt rules pertaining to the use of atypical antipsychotic medications by a child under 17 years of age enrolled in MaineCare. The department does not currently have rules pertaining to the use of atypical antipsychotic medications by a child under 17 years of age enrolled in MaineCare. Rules adopted are designated major substantive rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 17 directs the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt rules governing the use of atypical antipsychotic drugs by children enrolled in MaineCare to require that the prescriber of a drug beyond the recommended period provide documented justification and perform a timely assessment and ongoing monitoring of metabolic and neurologic variables in accordance with the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry's Practice Parameter for the Use of Atypical Antipsychotic Medications in Children and Adolescents. Rules adopted are designated major substantive rules as defined in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

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**LD 374      An Act To Eliminate the Child Support Collecting Fee Charged to a Person Who Has Never Received Assistance under a State Program      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE	ONTP	

This bill provides that the State may not impose a fee for collection of child support on an individual who never received assistance under a state program if the individual would have been eligible for such assistance.

**LD 386      An Act To Reduce Tobacco-related Illness and Lower Health Care Costs in MaineCare      HELD BY GOVERNOR**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANBORN LANGLEY	OTP-AM	H-247 S-337 HILL

This bill requires the provision of tobacco cessation treatment for MaineCare members who are 18 years of age or older or are pregnant. It provides for comprehensive evidence-based coverage in accordance with the United States Preventive Services Task Force and the United States Public Health Service clinical practice guideline on treating tobacco use and dependence. The bill requires coverage without copayments or other cost sharing and directs the Department of Health and Human Services to pursue opportunities for federal reimbursement of the cost of coverage.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-247)**

This amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section to the bill.

**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-337)**

This amendment removes the emergency preamble and emergency clause and reduces the funding to reflect funding provided in the unified budget bill.

**LD 387      Resolve, To Direct the Department of Health and Human Services To Study the Ongoing Need for Rental Subsidies to Provider Agencies      VETO SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FARNSWORTH CRAVEN	OTP-AM	H-95

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to study the issues surrounding the home and community-based waiver program under the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and locate funding to better provide services that allow program participants to meet basic needs for shelter and nourishment.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-95)**

This amendment directs the Department of Health and Human Services to work within available resources with community partners, including the Maine Association for Community Service Providers, to study the issues regarding rental subsidies to determine which MaineCare members receive rental subsidies, how other states

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provide rental subsidies to service providers for individuals with intellectual disabilities and within which state and federal guidelines and programs the rental subsidies to service providers for individuals with intellectual disabilities are provided. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to collect and use available data within available resources. The requirement to report and the reporting date from the original resolve are unchanged.

**LD 388      Resolve, To Improve the Participation Rate of Prescribers in the  
Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program**

**RESOLVE 25  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DORNEY	OTP-AM	H-71

This bill provides for an alternative to the current mandatory participation provision for prescribers in the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program consisting of automatic enrollment at the time of licensure or renewal or the issuance of a certificate of registration by the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-71)**

This resolve replaces the bill. It requires the Substance Abuse Services Commission to develop a process to increase registration in the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program through professional licensing boards and to develop strategies to promote the use of the program by prescribers. The Substance Abuse Services Commission is required to report its findings, recommendations and any suggested legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 1, 2014. The amendment also adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 25 requires the Substance Abuse Services Commission to develop a process to increase registration in the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program through professional licensing boards and to develop strategies to promote the use of the program by prescribers. The Substance Abuse Services Commission is required to report its findings, recommendations and any suggested legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 1, 2014.

Resolve 2013, chapter 25 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective May 20, 2013.

**LD 389      An Act To Bring Fairness to General Assistance Programs by Changing  
the Method of Municipal Reimbursement**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PARRY SAVIELLO	ONTP	

This bill changes the reimbursement of general assistance to municipalities so that they receive either a 50% reimbursement rate from the Department of Health and Human Services or a block grant equal to \$3.00 multiplied by the population of the municipality, whichever is the greater. It repeals the requirement that municipalities incurring net general assistance costs in excess of .0003 of the municipality's most recent state valuation receive a 90% reimbursement rate but maintains this reimbursement rate for the Indian tribes.

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**LD 390 An Act To Restore MaineCare Coverage for Ambulatory Surgical Center Services**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
COOPER GRATWICK	OTP-AM	

This bill restores funding for MaineCare coverage for ambulatory surgical center services.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-215)**

This amendment removes from the emergency preamble the word "inpatient," which was included in the bill in error. This amendment restores reimbursement that was eliminated in state fiscal year 2012-13. This amendment switches the funding in the bill from the General Fund to the Fund for a Healthy Maine and adds a requirement that the Department of Health and Human Services adopt routine technical rules regarding the reimbursement of ambulatory surgical centers to take effect July 1, 2013.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 434 Resolve, Regarding Safer Workplaces for Home Care and Home Health Workers**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN FARNSWORTH	OTP-AM	S-198

This bill requires home health care providers to provide safe working conditions for their employees, including checking the sex offender registry for information on a client before sending an employee to the home of the client.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-198)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. The amendment incorporates the concepts contained in Legislative Document 1165 of the 126th Legislature, "An Act To Improve the Safety of Workers Who Provide Direct Mental Health and Social Services." The amendment directs the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Labor to convene a broadly representative work group to develop a set of guidelines that helps home care workers, home health workers and home care and home health agencies to better assess workplace risks. The amendment directs the work group to examine ways in which specific information about potential threats at service locations can be better communicated to the workers who serve clients in those locations and to consider a centralized recording of all incidents of workplace violence, a written workplace violence prevention and crisis response plan and training for home care workers and home health workers. The amendment directs the departments to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 1, 2014.

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**LD 447      An Act To Increase Patient Choice in Health Care Facilities and Health Care Settings**

**PUBLIC 214**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PATRICK BRIGGS	OTP-AM	S-122

This bill requires the disclosure of information to a patient who is being discharged from a hospital to a nursing facility, hospice provider or home health agency regarding the patient's health care options. It requires information sharing among physicians, nursing facilities, hospice providers, home health agencies and hospitals to facilitate this disclosure. It requires the information to include business connections among hospitals, nursing facilities, hospice providers and home health agencies and physicians. The bill also requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules on medical directors in nursing facilities to make the rules consistent with federal requirements and designates the rules as routine technical rules.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-122)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment adds hospital swing beds, acute rehabilitation care and hospice providers to the list of providers covered by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 1831. The amendment requires distribution of a standardized list of licensed providers and physicians in the relevant settings and notice of patient rights and of how to contact the long-term care ombudsman program. The amendment requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules on medical directors in nursing facilities to include among the responsibilities of the medical director ongoing guidance in the development and implementation of resident care policies, including review and revision of existing policies. The amended rules must require that the facility, including a facility that is corporately owned, be able to show that its development, review and approval of resident care policies or procedures include the opportunity for the medical director's input.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 214 adds hospital swing beds, acute rehabilitation care and hospice providers to the list of providers covered by the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, section 1831. The law requires distribution of a standardized list of licensed providers and physicians in the relevant settings and notice of patient rights and of how to contact the long-term care ombudsman program. The law requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules on medical directors in nursing facilities to include among the responsibilities of the medical director ongoing guidance in the development and implementation of resident care policies, including review and revision of existing policies. The amended rules must require that the facility, including a facility that is corporately owned, be able to show that its development, review and approval of resident care policies or procedures include the opportunity for the medical director's input.

**LD 460      An Act To Protect Newborn Infants from Critical Congenital Heart Disease**

**PUBLIC 397  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BECK CRAVEN	OTP-AM ONTP	H-515 H-535 MALABY

This bill requires a health care facility that provides birthing and newborn care services and is licensed by the Department of Health and Human Services to perform pulse oximetry to screen for congenital heart disease in a newborn in its care no sooner than 24 hours after the birth of that newborn.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-515)**



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This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment changes the title and the emergency preamble and replaces the bill. This amendment adds screening for critical congenital heart disease to the mandatory newborn infant screening law. This amendment requires the entity responsible for the screening to report to the Department of Health and Human Services information on the testing including, but not limited to, the number of infants born, the number screened, the type of screening tool used and the results of the screening. The amendment requires the Department of Health and Human Services to review and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by April 1, 2014 on options for making available to infants born other than in hospitals, birthing centers and other birthing services screening for critical congenital heart disease.

**House Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (H-535)**

This amendment removes from Committee Amendment "A" the requirements that the Department of Health and Human Services review options for making available to newborn infants screening for critical congenital heart disease and that the department report the results of its review to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by April 1, 2014.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 397 adds screening for critical congenital heart disease to the mandatory newborn infant screening law. The law requires the entity responsible for the screening to report to the Department of Health and Human Services information on the testing including but not limited to, the number of infants born, the number screened, the type of screening tool used and the results of the screening.

Public Law 2013, chapter 397 was enacted as an emergency measure effective July 2, 2013.

**LD 468      An Act To Protect Public Health at Public Institutions of Higher Education      VETO SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CHIPMAN CRAVEN	OTP-AM ONTP	H-77

This bill prohibits smoking on the grounds of any campus of the University of Maine System, the Maine Community College System or the Maine Maritime Academy.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-77)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment provides an effective date of August 1, 2014 and an exception to the smoking ban for smoking undertaken as part of a religious ceremony or as part of a cultural activity by a defined group.

**LD 480      An Act To Establish Fees under the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act      PUBLIC 394**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANDERSON HAMPER	OTP-AM	H-512

This bill sets fees and the range of fees in the Maine medical marijuana program, provides for payment of the cost of obtaining criminal history record information about certain registered primary caregivers and principal officers, board members and employees of registered dispensaries and lowers fees for a fiscal year if the fees paid in the

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prior year exceed program expenses for that year.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-512)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment strikes the application and renewal fees for a medical use of marijuana registry identification card for a qualifying patient. It requires that a registered dispensary file notice and pay a fee when it changes the location of the dispensary or the location at which it cultivates marijuana. The amendment organizes the fees payable to the medical use of marijuana program into one subsection of law, establishes a fee for out-of-date cards and a laboratory testing fee and establishes the range within which the Department of Health and Human Services must establish fees by adopting routine technical rules. The amendment clarifies that registered primary caregivers and the principal officers, board members and employees of registered dispensaries must undergo annual criminal history record checks. The amendment provides for review of the balance in the Medical Use of Marijuana Fund and provides for adjustment of the annual fees charged to registered caregivers and registered dispensaries.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 394 repeals the application and renewal fees for a medical use of marijuana registry identification card for a qualifying patient. The law requires that a registered dispensary file notice and pay a fee when it changes the location of the dispensary or the location at which it cultivates marijuana. The law organizes the fees payable to the medical use of marijuana program into one subsection of law, establishes a fee for out-of-date cards and a laboratory testing fee and establishes the range within which the Department of Health and Human Services must establish fees by adopting routine technical rules. The law clarifies that registered primary caregivers and the principal officers, board members and employees of registered dispensaries must undergo annual criminal history record checks. The law provides for review of the balance in the Medical Use of Marijuana Fund and provides for adjustment of the annual fees charged to registered caregivers and registered dispensaries.

**LD 487      Resolve, To Establish MaineCare Eligibility for Young Adults Who Were Formerly in Foster Care**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DORNEY	OTP-AM ONTP OTP-AM	H-99

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to submit to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services an application for a waiver under the Medicaid program to allow MaineCare to cover a young adult 19 to 25 years of age who was on the date of the young adult's 19th birthday in the custody of the State pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 1071.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-99)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment replaces the resolve and directs the Department of Health and Human Services to undertake an identification and outreach initiative for young adults who were formerly in foster care, to enroll those eligible in MaineCare and to provide them with a card indicating that the coverage begins on January 1, 2014.

**Committee Amendment "B" (H-100)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. This amendment replaces the resolve and adds emergency language. This amendment establishes eligibility for MaineCare funded entirely from the General Fund beginning July 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013 for certain young adults who were formerly in foster care. This amendment funds that MaineCare coverage from the General Fund.

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See also Public Law 2013, chapter 368, page 358, which provides funding for MaineCare coverage for children in the foster care program through age 25 as required by the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

**LD 488      Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To      CARRIED OVER**  
**Develop a Process To Provide Additional Home-based and**  
**Community-based Services in the MaineCare Program**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CHENETTE LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM	

This bill provides that Department of Health and Human Services coverage for services to a member who is served under one of the home-based and community-based care waiver programs in MaineCare must be at least 95% of what it would otherwise cost to provide such services to the member if the member were served in a nursing facility.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-325)**

This amendment replaces the resolve. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to develop a process in the MaineCare home-based and community-based waiver program for the elderly and the disabled to provide additional services for up to 25 unduplicated participants per year whose annual cap on services may exceed the current cap as long as the department determines that the additional services are medically necessary, are likely to delay or prevent the institutionalization of the person and are not likely to result in the cost of the services exceeding the estimated costs of comparable services in a nursing facility. The department is required to develop the process, which requires the approval of the federal Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, by October 1, 2013.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 496      Resolve, To Ensure That Standards for Performance-based Contracts      ONTP**  
**for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities Include All Employment**  
**Options**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FLOOD	ONTP	

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to continue working with provider agencies to develop standards to ensure consideration of all employment options, including subminimum wage options, under the MaineCare waiver program for individuals who are designated as unemployable. The resolve requires the department to report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters before implementing new standards.

**LD 499      An Act To Promote Dental Care for Low-income Populations      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HARLOW	OTP-AM	

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This bill provides funding for the dental clinic operated in Portland by Riverview Psychiatric Center. Specifically it provides funding for one part-time Physician III position and one Customer Representative Associate II - Human Services position and associated All Other funding for the dental clinic. These positions and funding are proposed for elimination in the Governor's proposed biennial budget for 2014-2015.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-18)**

This amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 507      Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To  
Amend Its Rules To Improve the Oral Health Education of Children**      **ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRATWICK MASTRACCIO	ONTP OTP	

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules to require a child care provider to assist children in brushing their teeth as a part of a daily curriculum.

**LD 515      An Act Regarding the Annual Service Fee for Child Support Services  
Provided by the Department of Health and Human Services**      **ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MASON G CRAFTS	ONTP	

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to pay the \$25 annual fee required by the federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, Public Law 109-171, for the assistance of the department in the collection of child support for certain families.

This bill reverses an initiative enacted in Public Law 2011, chapter 477.

**LD 517      An Act To Restore Funding for Head Start**      **DIED IN  
CONCURRENCE**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE FREDETTE	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill provides a General Fund appropriation of \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2013-14 and fiscal year 2014-15 for the Department of Health and Human Services to restore funding for Head Start services that was eliminated during fiscal year 2012-13.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-199)**

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This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, incorporates a fiscal note.

**LD 520      An Act To Protect Maine Consumers from Predatory Medical Pricing      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PATRICK	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. This bill proposes to establish standardized pricing for health care procedures in order to protect Maine consumers from predatory pricing.

**LD 534      An Act To Improve Care Coordination for Persons with Mental Illness      PUBLIC 326**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PRINGLE GRATWICK	OTP-AM ONTP	H-341

This bill provides an exception to the health care information confidentiality laws that protect mental health information for the purposes of care management and coordination of care.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-341)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment amends the bill regarding disclosure of protected health care information for care management or coordination of care purposes to require a person who discloses information without authorization to make a reasonable effort to notify the individual or the authorized representative of the individual of the disclosure.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 326 amends the law regarding disclosure of protected health care information for the purposes of care management and care coordination. The law requires a person who discloses information without authorization for care management or care coordination purposes to make a reasonable effort to notify the individual or the authorized representative of the individual of the disclosure.

**LD 535      An Act To Promote Greater Flexibility in the Provision of Long-term Care Services      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HUBBELL LANGLEY		

Current law precludes facilities licensed pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 405 from providing certain services under one license to residents living in a facility under a lower level license on the same campus. The purpose of this bill is to allow facilities licensed under Title 22, chapter 405 to provide a continuum of care and services to clients residing in those facilities without requiring the clients to leave the facility, without requiring the creation of a licensed home health agency and without having to seek approval of area licensed home health agencies.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

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**LD 536 An Act To Improve the Efficiency of Use of MaineCare Funds**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TIPPING-SPITZ CRAVEN	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. This bill proposes to amend the law and direct the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules to ensure that a person who has applied for MaineCare coverage is discharged from the hospital to a rehabilitation facility promptly as appropriate to that person's medical condition. The purpose of the bill will be to ensure appropriate care in the appropriate setting and to decrease inappropriate hospital use.

**LD 537 An Act To Help Maine Residents Receive Private Health Care Insurance**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PARRY HAMPER	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill provides that, as a condition of eligibility for MaineCare, individuals must apply for enrollment in an employer's group health plan. The bill makes clear that the employer's group health plan is the primary coverage and any MaineCare benefits are secondary.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-367)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. This amendment strikes the bill but retains and reallocates the provision prohibiting an individual from accepting anything of value in exchange for not enrolling in the individual's employer's group health plan.

**LD 538 An Act To Align Costs Recognized for Transfer of Nursing Facilities and Residential Care Facilities with Ordinary Commercial and Government Contracting Standards**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANDERSON HAMPER	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill provides that, to align treatment of long-term care providers with other government contractors and typical private transactions, MaineCare depreciation recapture from sellers of nursing facilities and residential care facilities does not apply to any sales on or after July 1, 2012.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-516)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment provides a new methodology under the MaineCare program for calculating recapture of depreciation upon the sale of a nursing facility. The amendment requires the Department of Health and Human Services to apply for a state plan amendment to enable the use of the new methodology and makes the effective date of the provision of law that establishes the new methodology contingent upon the approval by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare

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and Medicaid Services of the state plan amendment. The amendment also provides a new methodology for recapturing depreciation upon the sale of residential care facilities for which reimbursement for room and board costs, including depreciation, is provided by the Department of Health and Human Services. The methodology is similar to the methodology used for nursing facilities.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 539      An Act To Ensure Parity in the Ability To Counsel Patients      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FARNSWORTH LACHOWICZ	ONTP	

This bill adds licensed clinical professional counselors to the list of persons who may provide counseling to a minor in connection with the minor's decision regarding pregnancy.

**LD 579      Resolve, To Clarify and Improve the Eligibility Process for Services for      ONTP  
Persons with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WELSH HAMPER	ONTP	

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to undertake a process to update the criteria for eligibility for services for persons with intellectual disabilities or autism. The resolve directs the department to convene a stakeholder group to develop a guide to the application and eligibility process. The resolve directs the department to adopt routine technical rules relating to the department's intellectual disabilities complex case committee. The resolve designates both sets of rules as routine technical rules and requires adoption of the rules by January 1, 2014.

**LD 597      An Act To Inform Persons of the Options for the Treatment of Lyme      PUBLIC 340  
Disease**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BRIGGS CRAVEN	OTP-AM OTP-AM	H-184 H-453 BRIGGS

This bill directs the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to include on its publicly accessible website information about different alternatives for the treatment of Lyme disease. The bill also requires the center to include information about treatment guidelines recommended by the Infectious Diseases Society of America, which represents physicians, scientists and other health care professionals who specialize in infectious diseases, and the International Lyme and Associated Diseases Society, an international nonprofit multidisciplinary medical society. The bill directs the center to work with health care professionals to inform patients about different alternatives for the treatment of Lyme disease.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-184)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the bill. It requires any health care

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provider that orders a laboratory test for the presence of Lyme disease to inform the patient that a negative test for Lyme disease does not necessarily mean that Lyme disease is not present and that if symptoms continue, the patient should contact a health care provider and inquire about the appropriateness of retesting or additional treatment. The amendment also requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to include information on Lyme disease diagnosis and treatment on its publicly accessible website that informs users about the difficulty of diagnosing and treating Lyme disease, that some doctors and patients believe longer doses of antibiotics may be helpful and beneficial, that antibiotic use can lead to the development of drug-resistant organisms and that information on treatment alternatives for Lyme disease is available through certain websites.

### **Committee Amendment "B" (H-185)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, replaces the bill. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to include on its publicly accessible website information that informs users about the difficulty of diagnosing and treating Lyme disease, that scientific studies suggest longer doses of antibiotics are not helpful but that some doctors and patients believe they are helpful and beneficial, that antibiotic use can lead to the development of drug-resistant organisms and that information on treatment alternatives for Lyme disease is available through Internet search engines. This amendment was not adopted.

### **House Amendment "B" To Committee Amendment "A" (H-378)**

This amendment removes the provision that requires any health care provider that orders a laboratory test for the presence of Lyme disease to inform the patient that a negative test for Lyme disease does not necessarily mean that Lyme disease is not present and that if symptoms continue, the patient should contact a health care provider and inquire about the appropriateness of retesting or additional treatment. This amendment was not adopted.

### **House Amendment "C" To Committee Amendment "A" (H-453)**

This amendment requires a health care provider to give a patient a copy of the results of a Lyme disease test rather than informing the patient that a negative test does not necessarily mean that Lyme disease is not present. It also requires the Maine Center for Disease Control include information on its website about negative test results and expands the list of information resources that must be included on the website.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 340 requires a health care provider to give a patient a copy of the results of a Lyme disease test. It also requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to include the following information on its publicly accessible website regarding Lyme disease and treatment:

1. Lyme disease may be difficult to treat and diagnose;
2. Some doctors and patients believe longer doses of antibiotics may be helpful and beneficial;
3. Antibiotic use can lead to the development of drug-resistant organisms;
4. A negative result for a Lyme disease test does not necessarily mean that Lyme disease is not present; and
5. Information on treatment alternatives for Lyme disease is available through certain websites.



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**LD 598      Resolve, Directing All Relevant Agencies of State Government To Work in Concert with a Plan To End and Prevent Homelessness To Ensure That Resources Are Available To End Homelessness in the State      VETO SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BRIGGS CRAVEN	OTP-AM ONTP	H-342

This resolve requires all relevant state agencies, including the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Labor, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Education and the Maine State Housing Authority, to work with advocates and organizations serving the homeless population in the State to direct resources to eradicate homelessness in the State within four years.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-342)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, removes the requirement for state agencies to align their budgets in concert with "Maine's Plan to End & Prevent Homelessness" but retains the requirement for state agencies to work to align their resources and efforts in concert with the plan. The amendment also clarifies that state agencies are to focus their resources with the immediate goal of reducing the rate of homelessness.

**LD 610      Resolve, To Review and Amend the Rules Regarding Hospital Charity Care Guidelines      VETO SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANDERSON CUSHING	OTP-AM	H-236

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend Chapter 150 of its rules pertaining to mandatory charity care policies to permit hospitals to impose the asset test for MaineCare in effect as of January 1, 2013 and to establish the federal poverty limit eligibility threshold at 133% for individuals eligible for federal premium tax credits to purchase insurance through exchanges.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-236)**

This amendment replaces the resolve. The amendment requires the Department of Health and Human Services to convene a working group and provisionally adopt rules to amend the hospital charity care guidelines by February 1, 2015. The amendment directs the working group to examine the use of an asset test. The amendment requires reports to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters by April 1, 2014 and February 1, 2015. The amendment states the intention of the Legislature that the charity care rules in effect on January 1, 2013 remain in effect until any proposed major substantive rules come into effect.

**LD 625      Resolve, Regarding Temporary Campgrounds      RESOLVE 55**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MASON G TIMBERLAKE	OTP-AM	S-134

This bill exempts from licensing as a campground a commercial lot permitted by the municipality as a racetrack or for another mass public gathering purpose and any camping is incidental to the purpose and the owner or renter of

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the lot does not charge a fee beyond the attendance fee for a person to camp overnight on the lot.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-134)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve directing the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention's division of environmental health to review the regulation of camping on premises on which the owner is hosting an event when that camping is temporary in nature and open only to participants and spectators of the event. The amendment directs the department to report the results of its review and any recommended legislation or rulemaking to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 1, 2014. The amendment removes the emergency preamble and emergency clause.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 55 directs the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention's division of environmental health to review the regulation of camping on premises on which the owner is hosting an event when that camping is temporary in nature and open only to participants and spectators of the event. The resolve directs the department to report the results of its review and any recommended legislation or rulemaking to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 1, 2014.

**LD 629      An Act To Restore Eligibility and Funding for Drug Programs for the Elderly and Disabled**

**DIED ON  
ADJOURNMENT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE FARNSWORTH	OTP-AM ONTP	S-25

In Public Law 2011, chapter 657, Part HH, the Commissioner of Health and Human Services was directed to seek a waiver to reduce income eligibility levels for the Medicare savings program by 10%. The reduction of income eligibility levels was contingent on the grant of the waiver by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; the waiver was granted. This bill instructs the Commissioner of Health and Human Services to submit an application to restore income eligibility levels for the Medicare savings program to the levels they were before the waiver was granted and makes the increase contingent upon the approval of the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. This bill also makes adjustments to appropriations and allocations to reflect the increase in the eligibility levels.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-25)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

**LD 633      An Act To Grant the Commissioner of Health and Human Services and the Commissioner's Designees the Independent Authority To Issue Adjudicatory Subpoenas**

**PUBLIC 202**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAMPER SANDERSON	OTP	

This bill grants to the Commissioner of Health and Human Services and the commissioner's designees the independent authority to issue administrative subpoenas for adjudicatory proceedings, consistent with statutory authority given to other agencies.

**Enacted Law Summary**

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Public Law 2013, chapter 202 grants to the Commissioner of Health and Human Services and the commissioner's designees the independent authority to issue administrative subpoenas for adjudicatory proceedings, consistent with statutory authority given to other agencies.

**LD 634 An Act Regarding Permits for Final Disposition of Dead Human Bodies**

**PUBLIC 20**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN SANDERSON	OTP	

This bill adds the State Registrar of Vital Statistics as a source for obtaining the disposition permit required for transportation, burial, cremation or other disposal of a dead human body after a body is disinterred or removed from a vault or tomb. Currently, the law allows only municipal clerks to issue disposition permits when a body is disinterred or removed. The bill also requires a person in charge of burial grounds or a crematory to add the date that body was disposed of on the disposition permit and return the permit to the registrar or the clerk of the municipality.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 20 adds the State Registrar of Vital Statistics as a source for obtaining the disposition permit required for transportation, burial, cremation or other disposal of a dead human body after a body is disinterred or removed from a vault or tomb. It also requires a person in charge of burial grounds or a crematory to add the date that body was disposed of on the disposition permit and return the permit to the registrar or the clerk of the municipality.

**LD 650 Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Seek a Federal Waiver of Certain Requirements Regarding Contracting for Transportation Services under MaineCare**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE CHASE	ONTP	

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to request a federal waiver from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The application must seek approval for the Department of Health and Human Services to award nonprofit regional transportation providers in the State with contracts for MaineCare nonemergency transportation without the required involvement of a broker to separate the requests for trips from those who provide them. The department is required to submit the application for a waiver by October 1, 2013.

**LD 678 An Act To Allow Random Drug Testing for Recipients of Certain Public Benefits**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAUDOIN CUSHING	ONTP	

Current law allows the drug testing of a person receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, or TANF, program benefits if the person has been convicted of a drug-related felony within the past 20 years. If the drug test is positive for illegal drugs, a second test may be requested by the person and the suspension of TANF program

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benefits may be avoided if the person enrolls in a substance abuse treatment program.

This bill repeals that law and instead allows the random drug testing of a person receiving MaineCare benefits, TANF program benefits or general assistance and requires the suspension of those benefits if the person tests positive for use of an illegal drug. The benefits may resume once the person does not test positive for use of an illegal drug.

**LD 710      *Resolve, Requiring the Department of Health and Human Services To Adopt an Alternative MaineCare Nonemergency Transportation System to the Current Risk-based Prepaid Ambulatory Health Plan*      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
COLLINS CHASE	ONTP	

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt an alternative MaineCare nonemergency transportation system to the current risk-based prepaid ambulatory health plan. The department shall examine the transportation models presented by the federal Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and adopt one of the models that is not a risk-based prepaid ambulatory health plan. The current contracts issued under the risk-based system remain in place, but at the end of the contract period new requests for proposals must comply with the newly adopted system.

**LD 711      *An Act To Facilitate Patient Education*      PUBLIC 336**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LACHOWICZ GATTINE	OTP-AM	S-200

This bill exempts a registered nurse educator who provides post prescription training to a patient or caregiver in a patient's place of residence from the laws governing the licensure of home health care providers.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-200)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment repeals an outdated provision of law, enacts a definition of "registered nurse educator" and excludes registered nurse educators from the provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 419, which concerns home health services and the licensure of home health care providers.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 336 repeals an outdated provision of law, enacts a definition of "registered nurse educator" and excludes registered nurse educators from the provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 419, which concerns home health services and the licensure of home health care providers.

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**LD 716      Resolve, To Review and Make Recommendations on Appropriate Prescribing of Certain Medications for Children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder That Are Reimbursed under the MaineCare Program**

**RESOLVE 68**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MALABY	OTP-AM	* H-368

This bill directs the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt a program regarding prescription medications for children that consists of a prescription medication protocol, monitoring and prior authorization for reimbursement under the MaineCare program. The program must ensure that children have access to medically needed prescription medications in compliance with the requirements of this bill and the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-368)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve and changes the title. The amendment establishes a work group to review the use of certain medications prescribed to children for the treatment of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder and reimbursed through the MaineCare program and to make any recommendations for improvements in access to behavioral health and psychiatric services and for improvements in prescribing practices as determined to be appropriate by the work group. The amendment directs the Department of Health and Human Services to report its findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services not later than January 15, 2014.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 68 establishes a work group to review the use of certain medications prescribed to children for the treatment of attention deficit hyperactivity disorder and reimbursed through the MaineCare program and to make any recommendations for improvements in access to behavioral health and psychiatric services and for improvements in prescribing practices as determined to be appropriate by the work group. The resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to report its findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services not later than January 15, 2014.

**LD 746      Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Provide an Exception to the 60-day Limit on Out-of-state Services under the MaineCare Section 21 Waiver Program**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOODBURY	ONTP	

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules related to the MaineCare waiver program that allows certain persons with intellectual disabilities or autism the option of home-based or community-based services instead of institutional services to provide that if all parties agree, an exception to the 60-day limit on out-of-state services must be granted.

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**LD 752      Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Study the Effectiveness of Professional Development Services Provided to Child Care Providers and Referral Services Provided to Parents in Need of Child Care**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KUMIEGA CRAVEN	OTP-AM ONTP	H-271

This resolve is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. The purpose of this resolve is to restore the contracts with the resource development centers that provided professional development services to licensed and registered child care providers and referral services to parents in need of child care.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-271)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the concept draft with a resolve requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to study the effectiveness of the services replacing those provided by the former resource development centers. The study must examine the availability of professional development services to licensed and certified child care providers, department plans for improving access and quality of the professional development services, satisfaction with access to services by providers, availability of technical assistance to providers, the number of referrals by the department to parents for child care services under the department's child care resource and referral system and educational components available to parents to evaluate the quality and suitability of child care providers. The department must submit the report no later than January 1, 2014 to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services.

**LD 753      An Act To Prohibit the Sale of High-caffeine Energy Drinks to Persons under 18 Years of Age**

**ACCEPTED  
MINORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CASSIDY	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill prohibits the sale of energy drinks to minors. An energy drink is a soft drink that contains 80 or more milligrams of caffeine per eight fluid ounces advertised as being specifically designed to provide energy.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-461)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The amendment replaces the bill with a resolve and changes the title. The amendment creates the Task Force on Public Awareness Regarding Caffeine-added Drinks, Foods, Food Products, Over-the-counter Medicines and Dietary Supplements to consider options for a public awareness campaign regarding caffeine-added drinks, foods, food products, over-the-counter medicines and dietary supplements and to make recommendations for implementation. The Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention is directed to appoint, chair and convene the task force, which must include representatives from a variety of stakeholders. The task force is directed to consider options for a public awareness campaign, including information and activities to convey information on the effects of caffeine-added drinks, foods, food products, over-the-counter medicines and dietary supplements on children and adolescents. The task force is directed to consider any relevant studies and initiatives undertaken by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration. By February 14, 2014 the task force is required to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services on the results of its work and its recommendations.

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**LD 754      An Act To Encourage Transparency in the Disclosing of the Ingredients in Vaccinations for Children      DIED BETWEEN HOUSES**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BOLAND TUTTLE	ONTP OTP	

The purpose of this bill is to provide greater transparency regarding the ingredients of vaccinations and to reduce confusion related to school immunization requirements and a parent's right to decide against immunizing that parent's child. The bill requires a health care provider or clinic staff person, prior to immunizing a person under 18 years of age, to disclose the ingredients of the immunizing agent or agents to the parent or guardian of the child. It also requires the health care provider or clinic staff person to notify the parent or guardian of the option of refusing immunization of the child based on religious or philosophical beliefs.

**LD 755      An Act To Require Estimates of Patient Costs Prior to Treatment      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BOLAND GRATWICK	ONTP	

This bill requires a health care provider to provide to a person recommended for a nonemergency health care procedure or course of treatment a cost estimate of the procedure or treatment, the provider's reasons for the procedure or treatment, other options and their costs and the amount of the cost that will be paid for by the person's insurer. This bill also requires a health care provider to provide a cost estimate to a referring provider on a recommended procedure or course of treatment for a referred patient.

**LD 801      Resolve, To Extend the Deadline for the Department of Health and Human Services To Submit a Report on Persons with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism      RESOLVE 73 EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FARNSWORTH CRAVEN	OTP	

This resolve extends the deadline for the Department of Health and Human Services to submit its 2013 system of care plan for persons with intellectual disabilities or autism from January 15, 2013 to December 15, 2013. The resolve is retroactive to January 15, 2013.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 73 extends the deadline for the Department of Health and Human Services to submit its 2013 system of care plan for persons with intellectual disabilities or autism from January 15, 2013 to December 15, 2013. The resolve is retroactive to January 15, 2013.

Resolve 2013, chapter 73 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective July 2, 2013.

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**LD 802      An Act To Encourage Alternative Forms of Treatment for Opiate or  
Opioid Addiction by Prohibiting MaineCare Coverage for  
Medication-assisted Treatment for Addiction**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LOCKMAN THOMAS	ONTP OTP-AM	

Current law limits to 24 months MaineCare coverage or reimbursement for buprenorphine and naloxone combination drugs, also known as Suboxone, and for methadone for the treatment of addiction to opioids.

This bill, beginning January 1, 2015, prohibits all MaineCare coverage or reimbursement for Suboxone and methadone for treatment of addiction to opioids.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-237)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**LD 803      Resolve, Requiring the Department of Health and Human Services To  
Amend the Rules Regarding Child Care Facilities and Family Child  
Care Providers**

**RESOLVE 60**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MOONEN ALFOND	OTP-AM	H-268

This bill allows a parent or guardian to request that a child care facility use cloth diapers for the parent's or guardian's child if allowed by the child care facility.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-268)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules by February 1, 2014 to allow both licensed child care facilities and certified family child care providers to use cloth diapers for any child. The rules must require the parent or guardian to provide clean diapers for the child, and a licensed child care facility or certified family child care provider that uses a cloth diaper upon the request of a parent or guardian is required to comply with diapering guidelines available from the department's Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 60 requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules by February 1, 2014 to allow both licensed child care facilities and certified family child care providers to use cloth diapers for any child. The rules must require the parent or guardian to provide clean diapers for the child, and a licensed child care facility or certified family child care provider that uses a cloth diaper upon the request of a parent or guardian is required to comply with diapering guidelines available from the department's Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services.



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**LD 804      An Act To Improve Preventive Dental Health Care and Reduce Costs in the MaineCare Program      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CAREY LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill adds one annual preventive oral health visit to the MaineCare-covered oral health services for adults 21 years of age and older.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-517)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, adds an appropriations and allocations section to the bill.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 828      An Act To Improve the Administration of the Child Care Subsidy Program and To Prevent Erroneous Termination of Child Care Services      VETO SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GATTINE	OTP-AM OTP-AM	H-272

This bill amends the program that provides child care services to persons who meet certain income eligibility requirements to require the Department of Health and Human Services to:

1. Allow an applicant who is unable to comply a reasonable extension of time to meet the requirements or a modification of the application of eligibility rules; and
2. Prior to reducing or terminating the child care services provided to a person, provide the person an opportunity for a hearing and final agency determination, except when the reduction or termination is due to a loss of program funding.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-272)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the bill. The bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to provide a reasonable extension of time or modification of the application of the rules governing eligibility for the program that provides child care services to certain persons who meet income eligibility requirements but are unable to comply with the time requirements. The amendment retains the provisions of the bill that afford a person a reasonable opportunity for a fair hearing and final agency determination of child care program eligibility. The amendment requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules to make these changes in rules instead of statute. The amended rule may also provide changes to the language in letters of notification to parents.

**Committee Amendment "B" (H-273)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, replaces the bill. The bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to provide a reasonable extension of time or modification of the application of the rules for a program that provides child care services to certain persons who meet income eligibility requirements but are unable to comply with the time requirements. The amendment retains the provisions of the bill that afford a

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person a reasonable opportunity for a fair hearing and final determination of child care program eligibility.

**LD 829      Resolve, To Continue the Redesign of Shared Living Services for Adults  
with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism**

**RESOLVE 57  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
STUCKEY	OTP-AM	H-269

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to continue to work on the redesign of its shared living program and to complete the redesign by June 30, 2013.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-269)**

This amendment requires the Department of Health and Human Services to continue to work on the redesign of its shared living program and removes from the bill the due date for completion. The amendment requires the department to submit a progress report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2014.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 57 requires the Department of Health and Human Services to continue to work on the redesign of its shared living program and removes from the bill the due date for completion. The law requires the department to submit a progress report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2014.

Resolve 2013, chapter 57 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective June 19, 2013.

**LD 846      An Act To Improve and Modernize the Authority of Local Health  
Officers**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
COOPER	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. This bill proposes to:

1. Direct the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to update its manual for local health officers to reflect changes in the health inspection rules adopted by the center, provide annual training for local health officers and communicate regularly with local health officers;
2. Repeal the prohibition on local health officers' entering licensed establishments for purposes of inspection;
3. Simplify and modernize the training required for certain municipalities to select a local health officer; and
4. Repeal the requirement that a municipality appoint a local health officer.

**LD 847      Resolve, To Address Changes Needed for Providers of Private  
Nonmedical Institution Services**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FARNSWORTH LACHOWICZ	ONTP	

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In response to requirements of the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, this resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to take all necessary actions to convert private nonmedical institution services beds for adults with intellectual disabilities to home and community-based waiver beds for adults with intellectual disabilities. The resolve directs the department to complete a plan for the conversion and submit the plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services and the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs by January 1, 2014. The resolve directs the department to complete the conversion by July 1, 2014 and to submit a full report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services and the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs upon completion of the conversion. The resolve states that the conversion must be accomplished within existing resources appropriated for private nonmedical institution services.

**LD 881      An Act To Improve the Unused Pharmaceutical Disposal Program**

**PUBLIC 121**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN SANDERSON	OTP	

This bill makes changes to the Unused Pharmaceutical Disposal Program as recommended by the Prescription Drug Abuse Task Force, which was established by the Governor and the Attorney General by Executive Order 2012-002. The purpose of the bill is to reduce the cost of safe, effective and proper disposal of unused pharmaceuticals in order to reduce prescription drug abuse.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 121 makes changes to the Unused Pharmaceutical Disposal Program as recommended by the Prescription Drug Abuse Task Force, which was established by the Governor and the Attorney General by Executive Order 2012-002. The law reduces the cost of safe, effective and proper disposal of unused pharmaceuticals in order to reduce prescription drug abuse.

**LD 882      An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Confidentiality of Health Care  
Information To Enhance Public Safety**

**PUBLIC 289**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN GATTINE	OTP-AM	S-264

Current law permits health care practitioners or facilities to provide private health care information to law enforcement officials and other governmental entities in order to protect public health and welfare when reporting is authorized by law and when reporting a suspected crime against them or a crime they believe occurred on their premises. Federal regulations permit disclosure of private health care information when, in the health care practitioner's judgment, disclosure is necessary to avert a serious threat to the health or safety of others under conditions prescribed by the regulations.

This bill makes Maine law consistent with federal regulations and preserves a practitioner's ability to report private health care information to law enforcement officials and other governmental entities in order to protect public health and welfare when reporting is authorized by law while expanding permitted disclosure in other cases when necessary to avert a threat to the health or safety of others.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-264)**

This amendment replaces the bill. This amendment clarifies the language of the bill that allows disclosure of

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protected health information to appropriate persons, law enforcement officials and other governmental entities in accordance with federal law and regulation.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 289 allows disclosure of protected health information to appropriate persons, law enforcement officials and other governmental entities in accordance with federal law and regulation.

**LD 886      Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 270:  
Uniform Reporting System for Quality Data Sets, a Major Substantive  
Rule of the Maine Health Data Organization      RESOLVE 54  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP-AM	H-411

This resolve provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 270: Uniform Reporting System for Quality Data Sets, a major substantive rule of the Maine Health Data Organization.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-411)**

This amendment requires a number of technical changes, additions and deletions to Chapter 270: Uniform Reporting System for Quality Data Sets, a major substantive rule of the Maine Health Data Organization. These changes, additions and deletions are made at the request of the Maine Health Data Organization.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 54 approves the amendments to Maine Health Data Organization Rule Chapter 270. The resolve also requires a number of technical changes, additions and deletions to Chapter 270.

Resolve 2013, chapter 54 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective June 14, 2013.

**LD 892      An Act Regarding Municipal General Assistance      ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MASON G WILLETTE	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill makes individuals who have reached the 60-month lifetime limit for benefits under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program or who have had benefits fully terminated for noncompliance with the requirements of the program ineligible for municipal general assistance.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-288)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, adds an appropriations and allocations section.

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**LD 897      An Act To Establish the Volunteer Advocate Program and the  
Volunteer Advocate Program Council**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WILLETTE JACKSON T	OTP-AM ONTP	H-462

This bill establishes in law the Volunteer Advocate Program to replace the Volunteer Correspondent Program established in 1978 pursuant to the Pineland Consent Decree. The bill establishes a structure and guidelines for the enhancement and continuation of a program of volunteer advocates for persons with intellectual disabilities and autism with the goal of establishing an independent not-for-profit corporation to provide volunteer advocacy services.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-462)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment changes the name of the Volunteer Advocate Program Board to the Volunteer Advocate Program Council, places the council within the Maine Developmental Services Oversight and Advisory Board established pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 34-B, section 1223 and gives to the board the responsibility of making recommendations to the Governor for appointments to the council. This amendment adds a person who serves as a volunteer advocate under the Volunteer Advocate Program to the list of persons who are required to report to the Department of Health and Human Services known or suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation of an incapacitated or dependent adult. The amendment allows council members to serve three terms and changes the budget of the council to a portion of the budget of the Maine Developmental Services Oversight and Advisory Board in the same proportion as was provided to the volunteer correspondent program. The amendment adds to the duties of the council supervision of the program coordinator. The amendment removes from the provision on fund-raising the statement on use of funds to defray the State's budget expenditure for the program. The amendment adds to the council's duties the duty to exercise operational control of the program. The amendment adds rulemaking and bylaw and policy responsibilities for the Maine Developmental Services Oversight and Advisory Board. The amendment adds to the duties of the council the duty to provide an annual report to the board, the department and the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters on the activities of the council and the operations of the program. The amendment clarifies that a volunteer advocate is available to a person who requests the assignment of an advocate and allows a consumer to restrict the advocate's access to people, facilities and records. The amendment changes existing provisions of law on personal planning for persons with intellectual disabilities or autism, enacting a definition of "volunteer advocate," eliminating references to volunteer correspondents and substituting references to volunteer advocates.

**LD 908      An Act To Limit MaineCare Reimbursement for Suboxone and  
Methadone Treatment**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DICKERSON MAZUREK	ONTP OTP	

Current law limits to 24 months MaineCare coverage or reimbursement for buprenorphine and naloxone combination drugs, also known as Suboxone, for the treatment of addiction to opioids and for methadone for the treatment of addiction to opiates. The Department of Health and Human Services may authorize an extension of the 24-month limit for Suboxone or methadone.

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This bill removes the ability of the department to authorize an extension of the 24-month limit for either Suboxone or methadone and specifies that the 24-month limit on Suboxone is a lifetime maximum limit. This lifetime limit is already in place for methadone.

**LD 909      Resolve, To Establish MaineCare Eligibility for Parents Participating in Reunification Activities      RESOLVE 61**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAMANN MILLETT	OTP-AM	H-248

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to submit to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services an application for a MaineCare waiver to cover parents who are MaineCare members or are eligible to be MaineCare members who are participating in rehabilitation and family reunification activities in accordance with a rehabilitation and reunification plan. Under the waiver, coverage would last until the parent ceases to participate in reunification activities or until parental rights are terminated.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-248)**

This amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 61 directs the Department of Health and Human Services to submit to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services an application for a MaineCare waiver to cover parents who are MaineCare members or are eligible to be MaineCare members who are participating in rehabilitation and family reunification activities in accordance with a rehabilitation and reunification plan. Under the waiver, coverage would last until the parent ceases to participate in reunification activities or until parental rights are terminated.

**LD 928      An Act To Improve MaineCare Nursing Home Reimbursement To Preserve Access and Promote Quality      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MALABY	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill provides supplemental MaineCare payments to nursing homes that serve a high percentage of MaineCare residents and establishes a pay-for-performance program in nursing homes. The Department of Health and Human Services is authorized to adopt emergency rules to take effect retroactively to July 1, 2013 for the establishment of the supplemental MaineCare payments to nursing homes that serve a high percentage of MaineCare residents.

The bill also appropriates state funds and allocates matching federal funds for cost-of-living increases for MaineCare reimbursement to nursing facilities in the 2014-2015 biennium.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-365)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment deletes all of the provisions of the bill and inserts an appropriation and an allocation sufficient to grant to nursing facilities a 2% rate increase in MaineCare reimbursement rates for nursing facilities.

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This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

See also LD 986.

**LD 929 An Act To Amend the Requirements for the Reporting of New Hires**

**PUBLIC 279  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MALABY HAMPER	OTP-AM	H-249

Current law requires an employer, upon notice by the Department of Health and Human Services, to report the hiring, rehiring or return to work of an employee. The department transmits the information to the National Directory of New Hires maintained by the federal Department of Health and Human Services.

This bill requires an employer to forward the information, including the date the person starts work, within seven days of the employee's beginning or returning to service, without being notified by the Department of Health and Human Services.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-249)**

This amendment provides a definition of "newly hired employee" that conforms with federal law. It defines a newly hired employee as a person who has not been previously employed by the employer or who has been separated from prior employment by the same employer for a period of at least 60 consecutive days.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 279 provides a definition of "newly hired employee" that conforms with federal law. It defines a newly hired employee as a person who has not been previously employed by the employer or who has been separated from prior employment by the same employer for a period of at least 60 consecutive days. It requires an employer to forward information on newly hired employees and the date the person starts work, within seven days of the employee's beginning or returning to service, without notification by the Department of Health and Human Services.

Public Law 2013, chapter 279 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 18, 2013.

**LD 951 Resolve, Requiring the Department of Health and Human Services To Provide Methadone Clinic Data**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CASSIDY CRAVEN	OTP-AM OTP-AM	

Current law limits to 24 months MaineCare coverage or reimbursement for buprenorphine and naloxone combination drugs, also known as Suboxone, and methadone for the treatment of addiction to opioids. This bill repeals the 24-month limit.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-559)**

This amendment replaces the bill and is the majority report of the committee. The amendment amends the prior authorization process for methadone and so-called Suboxone treatments under MaineCare. It allows for the continuation of coverage, without prior authorization, if the individual receiving the treatment is pregnant, has

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serious and persistent mental illness or resides with a child under 3 years of age for whom the individual is primarily responsible. It also allows an individual who is on a low daily dose that is considered a maintenance dose to continue coverage without prior authorization. For Suboxone, this amount is 4 milligrams. The maintenance dose for methadone will be determined in the Department of Health and Human Services rules. The amendment also directs the department to increase the reimbursement rates paid to methadone clinics from \$60 a week to \$70 a week.

**Committee Amendment "B" (H-560)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, requires the office of substance abuse and mental health services within the Department of Health and Human Services to prepare a report using data from 2009 to 2013 from methadone clinics in this State. The report must be submitted to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services no later than January 1, 2014. The report must include, but is not limited to, data on the number of clients at the clinics, the number of clients receiving at-home doses of methadone, the average doses and range of doses of methadone received by clients both at the clinic and receiving at-homes doses, the incidence of tapering of the dosage, including any changes in tapering resulting from the enactment of a lifetime limit of two years, the frequency of drug use and the number of arrests in the last 30 days of clients at the clinics, the number of clients discharged and the reasons for the discharges and the number of deaths of clients.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 967      An Act Regarding Residency Requirements for General Assistance      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAUDOIN HAMPER	ONTP	

This bill amends the municipal general assistance requirements to establish criteria to determine residency in a municipality, including the requirement that a person be registered to vote in that municipality or have a Maine driver's license. This bill also permits a municipality to establish a durational residency requirement of up to six months before a person who is not a resident of the State may apply for general assistance.

**LD 968      An Act To Provide Needed Psychiatric Hospitalization for Persons with Mental Illness      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DION LACHOWICZ		

This bill requires the Commissioner of Health and Human Services to make psychiatric hospitalization available to a person with mental illness who is experiencing a psychiatric crisis and who has been determined by a health care practitioner to be in need of hospitalization.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P.1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).



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**LD 969      Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Reduce and Limit the Adult Developmental Services Waiting Lists by Implementing a More Efficient, Responsive and Individualized Model of Service Delivery**

**DIED ON  
ADJOURNMENT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
STUCKEY CRAVEN	OTP-AM	H-431

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to request approval from the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to amend the MaineCare waivers for Section 21, Home and Community Benefits for Members with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder, and Section 29, Support Benefits for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder, to permit the reimbursement for the use of appropriate electronic technology as a means of reducing the costs of supporting people currently being served. It also requires the department to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to amend the Section 29 waiver to add as a covered service home support as an option under the current service cap. Home support is direct support provided to a member in the member's home by a direct support professional to improve and maintain the member's ability to live as independently as possible in the member's own home and primarily consists of personal assistance, such as preparing meals, cleaning and personal care. Upon the granting of the amended waivers, the department is required to undertake rulemaking to amend the Section 21 and 29 rules to reflect the changes in the waiver. Any savings from the use of electronic technology and the provision of home support services must be used to serve additional people on Sections 21 and 29 waiting lists.

The resolve also requires the Department of Health and Human Services to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services and the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on the status of the recommendations of the adult developmental services working group formed pursuant to Public Law 2011, chapter 477, Part W, section 1. The department is required to develop a plan to incorporate the recommendations of the working group, including specific steps and a timeline with a goal that current and future waiting lists do not exceed 6 months.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-431)**

This amendment changes the deadline for the Department of Health and Human Services to submit the application for 2 MaineCare waivers from July 1, 2013 to October 1, 2013. This amendment also changes the goal of a maximum of 6 months for current and future waiting lists to a maximum of 6 months for future waiting lists.

See also LD 8.

**LD 986      Resolve, To Establish the Commission To Study Long-term Care Facilities**

**RESOLVE 78  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BURNS MAKER	OTP-AM	S-201 S-325    GOODALL

This resolve establishes the Commission To Study Long-term Care Facilities. The commission has 13 members and is required to report by December 4, 2013.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-201)**

The resolve establishes the Commission To Study Long-term Care Facilities. This amendment changes the

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membership of the commission so that it consists of 7 Legislators, one representative of a nursing facility, 2 representatives of long-term care facilities, one director of a long-term care ombudsman program, one person representing a municipality and one person representing the Governor's office or the Governor's administration. This amendment adds to the duties of the commission duties derived from 3 bills that were before the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, Legislative Document 928, Legislative Document 1245 and Legislative Document 1246. The amendment authorizes the chairs of the commission to establish subcommittees composed of interested persons, including representatives of nursing facilities with a high percentage of residents whose care is reimbursed through the MaineCare program, individuals with specialized knowledge in implementing an acuity-based staffing system, individuals with expertise in acuity-based reimbursement systems, a representative of an agency that provides services to the elderly and any other persons with experience or interest in nursing facility care. The amendment directs the commission to submit a report with findings and recommendations to the 126th Legislature by December 4, 2013.

### **Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-325)**

This amendment modifies the membership of the Commission To Study Long-term Care Facilities to reduce the number of Legislators from 7 to 5 and adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 78 establishes the Commission To Study Long-term Care Facilities. The membership of the commission consists of 7 legislators, one representative of a nursing facility, 2 representatives of long-term care facilities, one director of a long-term care ombudsman program, one person representing a municipality and one person representing the Governor's office or the Governor's administration. The duties of the commission are derived from 3 bills that were before the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, Legislative Document 928, Legislative Document 1245 and Legislative Document 1246. The chairs of the commission are authorized to establish subcommittees composed of interested persons, including representatives of nursing facilities with a high percentage of residents whose care is reimbursed through the MaineCare program, individuals with specialized knowledge in implementing an acuity-based staffing system, individuals with expertise in acuity-based reimbursement systems, a representative of an agency that provides services to the elderly and any other persons with experience or interest in nursing facility care. The resolve directs the commission to submit a report with findings and recommendations to the 126th Legislature by December 4, 2013.

See also LD 928, 1245 and 1246.

Resolve 2013, chapter 78 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective July 16, 2013.

### **LD 990      An Act To Require Public Disclosure of Health Care Prices**

**PUBLIC 332**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOODBURY	OTP-AM	S-202

This bill requires health care practitioners to maintain and make available to clients a price list of their most frequently provided services and procedures. The prices stated are the prices charged to a patient when there is no insurance coverage or when reimbursement by an insurance company is denied.

### **Committee Amendment "A" (S-202)**

This amendment retains the provisions of the bill that require a health care practitioner to maintain and make available to clients a price list of the health care practitioner's most frequently provided services and procedures. The amendment exempts pharmacists from the consumer information requirements. The amendment adds a requirement that the prices must be accompanied by the applicable standard medical codes listed by diagnosis. The amendment requires health care practitioners to make available written information on health claims data that may

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be obtained through the publicly accessible website of the Maine Health Data Organization.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 332 requires a health care practitioner to maintain and make available to clients a price list of the health care practitioner's most frequently provided services and procedures. The law exempts pharmacists from the consumer information requirements. The law adds a requirement that the prices must be accompanied by the applicable standard medical codes listed by diagnosis. The law requires health care practitioners to make available written information on health claims data that may be obtained through the publicly accessible website of the Maine Health Data Organization.

**LD 1014 An Act To Improve Law Enforcement Access to Prescription Monitoring Program Data**

**ACCEPTED  
MINORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MARKS LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill is a product of the Maine Prescription Drug Abuse Task Force established by the Governor and the Attorney General through Executive Order 2012-002. This bill allows a law enforcement agency access to prescription monitoring program information only for an active law enforcement investigation. Information provided to a law enforcement agency remains confidential and must be safeguarded in the same manner as other investigative information.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-343)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. This amendment retains the intent and effect of the bill but limits the context of a request for information from the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program by law enforcement to an active investigation involving a prescription drug offense. This amendment requires the Department of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Attorney General, to adopt routine technical rules regarding the manner of communicating requests for information from the program.

**LD 1029 Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Amend Its Rules Pertaining to a Request for Mental Health Records**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SIROCKI HAMPER	ONTP	

Current rules of the Department of Health and Human Services allow a recipient of mental health services or the recipient's parent or legal guardian to review the recipient's mental health records within a reasonable amount of time. This resolve directs the department to amend its rules to allow for reviewing those records on a daily basis.

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**LD 1030    An Act To Require That Electronic Benefits Transfer System Cash Benefits Are Used for the Purpose for Which the Benefits Are Provided**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PARRY HAMPER	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill requires a recipient of benefits under the electronic benefits transfer system to retain a receipt of every cash transaction the recipient makes under the system and to provide the receipts monthly to the Department of Health and Human Services. This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to deduct the amount of a transaction the department determines is improper under state or federal law from the recipient's monthly benefits.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-518)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, replaces the bill. It prohibits recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, or TANF, benefits from using benefits to purchase alcoholic beverages or tobacco products. The amendment also requires recipients of TANF to retain receipts for cash transactions, including those made with cash withdrawn from the electronic benefits transfer system card, for 12 months. The Department of Health and Human Services may audit the receipts for a six-month period for up to 1% of all TANF recipients to determine if a recipient has spent TANF cash benefits on prohibited items. If the Department of Health and Human Services determines that such a purchase has been made, the department is required to deduct that amount from the recipient's TANF benefits for the following month.

**LD 1031    An Act To Require a Mandatory Peer Review Process for the Restraint and Seclusion of Children in a Hospital or Children's Home**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SIROCKI		

This bill requires the Commissioner of Health and Human Services to establish a procedure for reviewing the use of restraint and seclusion for children receiving services in a hospital or children's home, including a mandatory review process for the repeated use of restraint or seclusion. It also adds a physician, other than the attending physician, to the review team that reviews behavior modification and behavior management programs for children under 18 years of age.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1032    Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Study the Incidence of and Mortality Related to Cancer**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCGOWAN	OTP-AM ONTP	H-344

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a task force to study the high incidence of cancer in the State, ways to lower the incidence of cancer and how the State can assist its citizens

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through education and prevention programs. The department is directed to invite interested parties to serve on the task force and to make its findings available to the public in distributable format and online.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-344)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The amendment retains the duties of the task force proposed in the resolve and changes that task force into the Commission To Study the Incidence of and Mortality Related to Cancer. This amendment provides for appointments of 13 members by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. This amendment directs the commissioners of several state agencies to provide information and data to the commission. This amendment authorizes the Legislative Council to provide staffing to the commission. This amendment directs the commission to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by December 4, 2013.

See also LD 1574.

**LD 1047    Resolve, To Provide a Better Transition for Foster Children to Independent Adulthood**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BERRY KATZ		

This resolve directs the Commissioner of Health and Human Services to review and analyze services for persons in foster care making the transition to independent adulthood, including services provided under a voluntary extended support agreement, also known as a V9 agreement. The commissioner is required to submit a report containing the results of the review and analysis to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2014, and the committee is authorized to submit a bill regarding the report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1062    An Act To Add Conditions That Qualify for Medical Marijuana Use**

**PUBLIC 361**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DICKERSON GERZOFISKY	OTP-AM ONTP	H-398

This bill amends the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act to add to the list of debilitating medical conditions for which a physician may certify the use of medical marijuana. The conditions added are post-traumatic stress disorder, opiate or pharmaceutical drug addiction and recovery and any other medical condition or its treatment as determined by a physician.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-398)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The amendment revises the listed medical conditions that qualify a patient for the medical use of marijuana. The amendment adds to the list of conditions post-traumatic stress disorder, inflammatory bowel disease, dyskinetic and spastic movement disorders and otehr diseases ccausing severe and persistent myuscle spasms. The amendment removes from the list of conditions Crohn's disease and a chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition or its treatment that produces severe and persistent muscle spasms, including but not limited to those characteristic of multiple sclerosis.

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**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 361 revises the listed medical conditions that qualify a patient for the medical use of marijuana. The law adds to the list of conditions post-traumatic stress disorder, inflammatory bowel disease, dyskinetic and spastic movement disorders and otehr diseases ccausing severe and persistent myuscle spasms. The law removes from the list of conditions Crohn's disease and a chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition or its treatment that produces severe and persistent muscle spasms, including but not limited to those characteristic of multiple sclerosis.

**LD 1063 An Act To Remove a Conflict in the Law Restricting the Sale or Purchase of Targeted Methamphetamine Precursors**

**PUBLIC 223  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WILLETTE BURNS	OTP	

Public Law 2011, chapter 584 made changes to the law restricting the sale of targeted methamphetamine precursors, including setting a limit of 3.6 grams of targeted methamphetamine precursors that could be sold in a 24-hour period to the same person; this limit is the same as in federal law. At the time Public Law 2011, chapter 584 was enacted, the law prohibited the sale of targeted methamphetamine precursors to no more than 3 grams and also restricted the number of packages sold per transaction.

This bill repeals the restriction on the number of packages of medication containing pseudoephedrine that may be sold at one time, leaving the 3.6 gram per month maximum in place. The requirement that the targeted methamphetamine precursors be sold in blister packages is also repealed since this is already a federal requirement under the federal Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 223 repeals the restriction on the number of packages of medication containing pseudoephedrine that may be sold at one time, leaving the 3.6 gram per month maximum in place. The requirement that the targeted methamphetamine precursors be sold in blister packages is repealed by this law since this is already a federal requirement under the federal Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act.

Public Law 2013, chapter 223 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 10, 2013.

**LD 1064 Resolve, To Establish the Task Force on Independence from Public Assistance**

**INDEF PP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
NEWENDYKE FLOOD	OTP-AM	H-270

This resolve establishes the Task Force on Independence from Public Assistance. The task force must meet up to eight times, consists of nine members and must report by December 4, 2013 with its findings and recommendations and suggested legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-270)**

This amendment increases the membership of the Task Force on Independence from Public Assistance from nine members to 13 members. In addition to the task force's duties in the resolve, the amendment requires the task force to identify provisions in current state policy, law and rules that penalize or create a disincentive to work and make

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recommendations on how to eliminate those barriers and to review legislative and academic studies conducted in Maine. It clarifies that recommendations made to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services must be evidence-based.

**LD 1065 An Act Regarding Patient-directed Care at the End of Life**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BROOKS VALENTINO	ONTP OTP	

This bill authorizes a patient who is terminally ill and the patient's physician or the medical director of the patient's hospice care provider to sign companion documents that will guide the provision of health care to the patient and the provision of care at the end of life. The companion documents establish the choices and directives of the patient and the responsibilities of the physician or medical director. This bill shields physicians and medical directors from liability or disciplinary sanctions so that the physicians and medical directors may provide care in conformance with patients' choices and directives.

**LD 1066 An Act To Increase Access to Health Coverage and Qualify Maine for Federal Funding**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANBORN WOODBURY	OTP-AM ONTP	H-286 S-221 KATZ

This bill expands medical coverage under the MaineCare program to adults who qualify under federal law with incomes up to 133% of the nonfarm income official poverty line, with the 5% federal income adjustment for family size, and qualifies Maine to receive federal funding for 100% of the cost of coverage for members who enroll under the expansion. Adults who will be eligible are those 21 to 64 years of age beginning January 1, 2014 and adults 19 and 20 years of age beginning October 1, 2019.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-286)**

This amendment replaces the bill.

Part A expands medical coverage under the MaineCare program to adults who qualify under federal law with incomes up to 133% of the nonfarm income official poverty line, with the 5% federal income adjustment for family size, and qualifies Maine to receive federal funding for 100% of the cost of coverage for members who enroll under the expansion. Adults who will be eligible are those 21 to 64 years of age beginning January 1, 2014 and adults 19 and 20 years of age beginning October 1, 2019. The expansion of Medicaid eligibility contained in this Part is repealed if 3 circumstances occur: the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage for calendar years 2014 through 2020 is reduced below certain stated levels; the reduced enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage has taken effect; and after the occurrence of the reduction of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage the Legislature has convened and conducted a session of at least 30 calendar days.

Part B requires the Commissioner of Health and Human Services to take all steps necessary to secure an enhanced federal match rate for services provided to the MaineCare childless adult waiver population and to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by November 1, 2013 on these efforts.

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Part C requires the Commissioner of Health and Human Services, the Commissioner of Corrections and the Executive Director of the State Board of Corrections to evaluate the impact of the MaineCare expansion on programs and services that do not currently receive Federal Medical Assistance Percentage matching funds or do not qualify for enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage matching funds under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, with the goal of identifying and maximizing General Fund savings. Part C requires a report by March 1, 2014 to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services and the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety on the amount of General Fund savings resulting from the MaineCare expansion. The report must include the amount of savings realized during fiscal year 2013-14 by service area or program and the amount of savings projected to be achieved during the remainder of that fiscal year and during fiscal year 2014-15. Part C requires the State Budget Officer to calculate the amount of savings that applies against each General Fund account for all departments and agencies from savings associated with the MaineCare expansion and to transfer the amounts by financial order upon the approval of the Governor. It requires the State Controller to transfer any remaining savings to the MaineCare Stabilization Fund. Part C requires the State Budget Officer to provide a report of the transferred amounts to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs no later than June 30, 2014 and a 2nd report by June 30, 2015.

Part D provides funding for positions in the Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Family Independence.

### **Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-221)**

This amendment repeals the expansion of medical coverage under the MaineCare program on December 31, 2016.

This amendment requires the Commissioner of Health and Human Services to provide certain information to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services to enable the secretary to make the determination as to the eligibility of the State to obtain an enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage for services for MaineCare members eligible as childless adults. The amendment provides in Part E that until the secretary confirms that the State will get the enhanced reimbursement rate, which is 100% federal Medicaid reimbursement for calendar years 2014, 2015 and 2016 and as further set forth in the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, for the childless adult population in MaineCare, including persons who were members under that eligibility grouping on December 1, 2009, the expansion of medical coverage under the MaineCare program will not take effect. The amendment requires the commissioner, upon receiving confirmation from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, to notify the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Revisor of Statutes and to provide them with a copy of the written confirmation.

This amendment requires the Office of Fiscal and Program Review to contract with a private, nonpartisan research organization to evaluate the impact of the MaineCare expansion authorized in Part A and changes the reporting entity to the research organization. This amendment adds to the services evaluated under Part C, section 1 the amount of payment for services that hospitals received during calendar years 2014 and 2015 as a result of the expansion of MaineCare eligibility pursuant to Part A, section 3 and any savings and impact on health outcomes achieved through the State Innovation Models Initiative grant. The amendment changes the reporting dates for the reports on General Fund savings in Part C, section 2 to March 1st in 2014 and 2015 and February 15th in 2016, includes in savings any amount credited to the MaineCare Stabilization Fund and extends the years for projecting savings through fiscal year 2020-21. The amendment directs the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters to review the information provided in the reports from the research organization under Part C, section 2 and to determine if the net cost to the General Fund of providing coverage under the MaineCare program to individuals pursuant to Part A, section 3 exceeds the savings to the General Fund, including any amount deposited in the MaineCare Stabilization Fund pursuant to Part C, section 3, due to the expansion of coverage for those individuals.



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This amendment adds a new Part E that amends current law on copayments in the MaineCare program. This amendment directs the Department of Health and Human Services to increase copayments for adults with income above 100% of the nonfarm income official poverty line to the maximum allowable under federal law and to increase nominal copayments by the annual percentage increase in the medical care component of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers. This amendment directs the department to increase MaineCare copayments for services provided in a hospital emergency room when the services are not emergency services. This amendment requires the department to track aggregate copayments in compliance with federal law.

**LD 1089      Resolve, To Allow York County To Renegotiate with the Department of Health and Human Services a Decision Regarding Transportation Services**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE	ONTP OTP-AM	

This resolve requires the Commissioner of Health and Human Services to reopen the decision to designate a broker for MaineCare nonemergency transportation services in Region 8, which covers York County, and permit York County Community Action Corporation to compete for designation.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-203)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. The amendment changes the title of the resolve. The amendment directs the Department of Health and Human Services to convene a working group to study and report on changes in regional transportation systems in Maine. The amendment directs the working group to study the revenues and expenses, utilization, efficiencies and interrelationships of the transportation systems in effect on January 1, 2013 and the systems as they will be altered by the risk-based system that the department is instituting during 2013. The amendment also directs the working group to consider whether the risk-based system will split the regional transportation systems into smaller units or weaken services to residents of urban and rural communities and the department to report to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2014 on the results of the study.

**LD 1155      An Act To Ensure the Integrity of Neuropsychological and Psychological Testing Materials and Data**

**PUBLIC 353  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FARNSWORTH	OTP-AM	H-442

This bill provides that neuropsychological test materials and neuropsychological test data may not be disclosed to anyone, including the person who is the subject of the test, and are not subject to disclosure in any administrative, judicial or legislative proceeding, except that the person who is the subject of the neuropsychological evaluation is entitled to have all records relating to that evaluation, including neuropsychological test materials and neuropsychological test data, disclosed to any qualified psychologist designated by the person.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-442)**

This amendment, which replaces the bill, retains all of the provisions of the bill and adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause. The amendment adds a definition of "psychological evaluation" and adds protection of psychological test materials and test data. The amendment changes the title to reflect the addition of protections for psychological test materials and data.

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**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 353 provides that neuropsychological test materials and neuropsychological test data may not be disclosed to anyone, including the person who is the subject of the test, and are not subject to disclosure in any administrative, judicial or legislative proceeding, except that the person who is the subject of the neuropsychological evaluation is entitled to have all records relating to that evaluation, including neuropsychological test materials and neuropsychological test data, disclosed to any qualified psychologist designated by the person. The law defines "psychological evaluation".

Public Law 2013, chapter 353 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 25, 2013.

**LD 1161 An Act To Ensure Regulated Safe Access to Medical Marijuana ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GERZOFISKY	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. This bill proposes to increase the number of medical marijuana dispensaries, and to ensure that the additional newly authorized dispensaries are located in previously underserved areas within the State.

**LD 1165 An Act To Improve the Safety of Workers Who Provide Direct Mental Health and Social Services ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LACHOWICZ GRAHAM	ONTP	

This bill requires all programs providing direct services to clients that are operated, licensed or funded by the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a workplace violence prevention program, including a workplace violence prevention and crisis response plan, to educate, train and assist direct service workers who may be affected by or threatened with workplace violence.

**LD 1166 An Act Regarding Records Retention by Mental Health Practitioners ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LACHOWICZ NADEAU C	ONTP	

This bill requires mental health agencies and mental health professionals to plan for and provide secure and private retention of client records and record destruction after specified terms or when an agency or facility ceases to operate or a professional ceases to practice.

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**LD 1188    Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To  
Amend Its Rules of Reimbursement under the MaineCare Program for  
Audiology and Speech-language Pathology Services**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HERBIG PATRICK	OTP-AM ONTP	

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to amend the rules of reimbursement under the MaineCare program for audiology and speech-language pathology services by October 1, 2013 in order to equalize rates, eliminate a prior authorization requirement and provide for payment by the MaineCare program of the Medicare deductible for audiology services for certain MaineCare members. The rules are designated as routine technical rules.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-494)**

This amendment deletes the provisions of the resolve that pertain to services for persons who are eligible for the Medicare program and that pertain to prior authorization. The amendment retains the provision that raises rates for speech and hearing pathology services, but at only half the increase proposed in the resolve, and replaces references to "hearing services" with references to "audiology services." It also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1189    Resolve, Regarding Implementation of Cost-of-living Increases for  
Nursing Facilities**

**RESOLVE 72  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GATTINE	OTP-AM	H-513

This bill amends the law governing the nursing facility and assisted living facility cost-of-living adjustment enacted by the 125th Legislature to specify that during the first year in which an adjustment is made, the reimbursement is reduced by that portion of the adjustment that exceeds the percentage increase in wages and benefits actually provided to frontline employees during the facility's fiscal years ending in 2009, 2010 and 2011.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-513)**

This amendment replaces the bill. It directs the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt rules regarding the cost-of-living adjustment payable to a nursing facility for the fiscal year that ends in 2012 that allow full payment of the cost-of-living adjustment if the required wage increases to frontline employees are granted over a longer period of time than allowed by current rule. The amendment authorizes the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt the rules on an emergency basis. The amendment designates the rules as routine technical rules.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 72 directs the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt rules regarding the cost-of-living adjustment payable to a nursing facility for the fiscal year that ends in 2012 that allow full payment of the cost-of-living adjustment if the required wage increases to frontline employees are granted over a longer period of time than allowed by current rule. The resolve authorizes the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt the rules on an emergency basis. The resolve designates the rules as routine technical rules.

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Resolve 2013, chapter 72 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective June 28, 2013.

**LD 1213 An Act To Reduce Costs and Increase Access to Methadone Treatment CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LOCKMAN CUSHING		

This bill proposes to decrease costs of and increase access to substance abuse treatment services by requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to increase the number of federally qualified health centers that provide methadone treatment services, to require enrollment at the clinic closest to the person's home and to work to facilitate access to services and distribution of services across the State. The bill requires the department to amend the methadone clinic rules to eliminate the requirement that the centers be open for administration of methadone treatment on Sundays. The bill designates the rules as routine technical rules. The department is required to work with stakeholders to address current rules and policies that act as barriers to achieve the intent of this legislation.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1214 An Act To Require a Mandatory Assessment by a Physician prior to Psychotropic or Electroconvulsive Therapy ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SIROCKI	ONTP	

This bill requires a physical examination by a physician prior to the administration of psychotropic drugs or electroconvulsive therapy to a person in a hospital with a psychotic condition.

**LD 1215 An Act To Protect Public Health by Regulating Excessive Wood Smoke as a Nuisance INDEF PP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANBORN LACHOWICZ	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill makes operating in a densely populated area an outdoor wood-burning device that produces visible emissions totaling 12 minutes in any hour that cross onto any land or buildings immediately adjacent to a dwelling or commercial building not owned by the owner of the outdoor wood-burning device a nuisance. A fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100 may be adjudged for creating the nuisance.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-284)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, amends the bill to apply to all wood-burning devices rather than only outdoor wood-burning devices. The bill does not apply to outdoor wood boilers which are governed by the Department of Environmental Protection. The amendment removes the definition for "densely populated area" and adds a definition for "residential area" that includes residential zoning and areas that are designated growth areas in a municipal comprehensive plan. It removes the range of fines that may be adjudged from between \$10 and \$100 and instead specifies a fine of \$100. Emissions generated by wood-burning devices during the course of a ceremony of a federally recognized Indian tribe are exempt from the emissions regulation.

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**LD 1232    An Act To Maintain the Integrity of the Fund for a Healthy Maine**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN GRAHAM	OTP-AM ONTP	S-204 S-354 HILL

Under current law, the Fund for a Healthy Maine is funded by ongoing funds from the so-called tobacco settlement. These funds may not be transferred to the General Fund to be used for any purpose other than specified prevention and health promotion purposes except when specifically approved by the Legislature.

This bill removes the provision of current law that allows the Legislature to approve transfers of funds from the Fund for a Healthy Maine to the General Fund.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-204)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, incorporates a fiscal note.

**Senate Amendment "A" (S-354)**

This amendment provides that the legislation takes effect January 1, 2016.

**LD 1244    An Act To Require Child Protective Services To Screen Parents of Newborn Infants**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAMANN	ONTP	

This bill requires hospitals and institutions to electronically submit the same information that is submitted to the municipality in which the live birth occurred or the Department of Health and Human Services for the purposes of recording births and gathering medical information to the department to be used to identify any parent that has previously had parental rights terminated. Within 24 hours of receiving the birth record, the department must identify if a parent of a newborn child has previously had parental rights terminated. The department is required to adopt rules to determine appropriate action.

**LD 1245    Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Create a More Equitable, Transparent Resource Allocation System for Nursing Facilities Based on Residents' Needs**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
STUCKEY CRAVEN	ONTP	

This resolve instructs the Department of Health and Human Services to eliminate the current nursing home reimbursement peer group limits and establish a capitated system that treats all facilities equally by setting MaineCare rates as a percentage of the existing Medicare acuity-based resource utilization group rates. It also requires the department to publish on a publicly accessible website its reimbursement rates and any related exception adjustments of all providers. Availability of MaineCare funds will be used to determine the base

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percentage and a pool available for exceptions and rewards. Up to 10% of available funds are allowed in the pool.

See also LD 986.

**LD 1246     An Act To Promote Greater Staffing Flexibility without Compromising Safety or Quality in Nursing Facilities                     ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
STUCKEY CRAVEN	ONTP	

Currently, nursing home staffing ratios are calculated based on individual 8-hour shifts. This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt acuity-based staffing, calculated over a 24-hour period and tied to a quality and safety threshold established by federally gathered data relevant to resident harm. Nursing homes would still ultimately be required to staff according to residents' needs. The bill provides that changes to the licensing rules are major substantive rules.

See also LD 986.

**LD 1247     An Act To Expand Coverage of Family Planning Services                     CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PRINGLE		

This bill expands Medicaid coverage for family planning services to adults and adolescents who have incomes less than or equal to 200% of the nonfarm income official poverty line as defined by the federal Office of Management and Budget.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

This amendment, which is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, incorporates a fiscal note.

**LD 1274     An Act To Sustain Emergency Medical Services throughout the State                     HELD BY GOVERNOR**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE FARNSWORTH	OTP-AM	S-218 S-357 HILL

This bill increases MaineCare reimbursement rates for ambulance services to Medicare reimbursement rate levels and provides an appropriation and allocation for the increased costs to the MaineCare program.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-218)**

This amendment changes the reimbursement rate for ambulance services from not less than the average allowable reimbursement rate under Medicare to not less than 65% of the average allowable reimbursement rate under Medicare. The amendment also replaces the appropriations and allocations section of the bill.

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**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-357)**

This amendment delays until March 1, 2015 increasing MaineCare reimbursement for ambulance services to 65% of the average allowable Medicare rate.

**LD 1284 An Act Regarding Delayed Birth Registration**

**DIED BETWEEN  
HOUSES**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN SIROCKI	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill removes an affidavit of personal knowledge as an accepted document as evidence of birth required for a delayed registration of birth. The bill also changes from more than 15 years to 15 years or more the number of years after which supporting documentation is required as evidence.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-205)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, adds to the bill by allowing for the use of an affidavit of personal knowledge to establish delayed registration of birth only when there are insufficient supporting documents and with the approval of the State Registrar of Vital Statistics. The Department of Health and Human Services is directed to adopt rules. The department's rules may allow for the use of court determination of paternity if it can be used to establish parentage prior to the filing of the delayed birth certificate and must allow for the use of an affidavit of personal knowledge only when insufficient reporting documents are available and with approval of the state registrar.

**LD 1294 An Act To Increase the Penalty for Smoking in a Motor Vehicle When a Child Is Present**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAMANN	ONTP	

This bill increases the fine for smoking in a motor vehicle when a child is present from \$50 for all offenses to \$250 for a first offense and \$500 for a second or subsequent offense. It requires fines to be deposited in the Fund for a Healthy Maine and used for smoking cessation activities. The court is required to report information regarding a person who is adjudicated of a third or subsequent offense to the office of the Department of Health and Human Services responsible for child protection. It allows an offender the option of taking a class on the dangers of secondhand smoke to children and receiving a fine waiver for a first offense and requires an offender to take a class on the dangers of secondhand smoke to children for a second offense if the offender has not taken this class before.

**LD 1333 Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Amend the MaineCare Benefits Manual**

**DIED ON  
ADJOURNMENT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN ROTUNDO	OTP-AM	S-206

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rule Chapter 101: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter III, Section 45.03 to pay a distinct psychiatric unit discharge rate equal to \$9,128.31 per

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psychiatric discharge for patients under 18 years of age from hospitals in the Lewiston-Auburn area.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-206)**

This amendment amends the resolve by adding a new section directing the Department of Health and Human Services to amend the rules for reimbursement under the MaineCare program as necessary for inpatient substance abuse services in distinct inpatient units. It requires that inpatient substance abuse services be reimbursed based on a case mix index multiplied by the psychiatric discharge rate, resulting in a rate of \$4,898 per discharge. This amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

See also Public Law 2013, chapter 368, the biennial budget, Part PPP for provisions identical to the proposal in the committee amendment.

**LD 1334 An Act To Create Child Advocacy Centers in Maine**

**PUBLIC 364**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN FARNSWORTH	OTP-AM	S-216

This bill provides for the establishment of child advocacy centers throughout the State. One center may be established in each of the State's nine public health districts, and each center is responsible for coordinating the investigation and prosecution of child sexual abuse and referral of victims of child sexual abuse for treatment in that district.

The bill requires that an advisory board govern each center. Board members must be from the district and must include representatives from a county sheriff's office and District Attorney's office; the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services; the State and municipal police; and a county mental health organization. Each board is required to prepare a written protocol for interagency notification and dispute resolution for involved agencies when a conflict arises in how to proceed with the investigation of the case.

Upon the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding, a center may be established. A center must assess victims of child sexual abuse and their families to determine their needs for services relating to the investigation of child sexual abuse; provide those services; provide a facility at which a multidisciplinary team can meet to facilitate the disposition of child sexual abuse cases through the civil and criminal justice systems; and coordinate the activities of governmental entities relating to investigations and services to victims and families. Multidisciplinary teams must include employees of the participating agencies who are professionals involved in the investigation or prosecution of child sexual abuse cases. The teams may also include professionals involved in the delivery of services to victims and families.

The bill specifies that a person is immune from civil liability for a recommendation or an opinion given in good faith while acting in the official scope of the person's duties as a member of a center's multidisciplinary team or as a staff member or volunteer of a center. The bill also specifies that the files, reports, records, communications and working papers used or developed in providing services are confidential and are not public records.

Beginning January 2015, the Department of Health and Human Services must annually report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters regarding the centers. The report must include the number of centers and an overview of the protocols adopted by the centers and the effectiveness of the centers in coordinating the investigation and prosecution of child sexual abuse and referral of victims of child sexual abuse for treatment. The committee may submit legislation related to the report.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-216)**

This amendment replaces the bill. It retains the provisions of the bill, but broadens the focus of child advocacy



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centers from child sexual abuse to child sexual abuse and other child abuse and neglect. It requires the participants in a center's memorandum of understanding and the members of a center's child advocacy advisory board to include a representative from a sexual assault support center and also allows a center's multidisciplinary team to include such a representative. It also limits the intake of the centers to children and their families referred to the centers from the Department of Health and Human Services, law enforcement and district attorneys.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 364 provides for the establishment of child advocacy centers throughout the State. One center may be established in each of the State's nine public health districts, and each center is responsible for coordinating the investigation and prosecution of child sexual abuse and other child abuse and neglect as well as referral of victims of child sexual abuse for treatment in that district. The intake of the centers is limited to children and their families referred to the centers from the Department of Health and Human Services, law enforcement and district attorneys.

The law requires that an advisory board govern each center. Board members must be from the district and must include representatives from a county sheriff's office and District Attorney's office; the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child and Family Services; the State and municipal police; a sexual assault support center; and a county mental health organization. Each board is required to prepare a written protocol for interagency notification and dispute resolution for involved agencies when a conflict arises in how to proceed with the investigation of the case.

Upon the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding, a center may be established. A center must assess victims of child sexual abuse and their families to determine their needs for services relating to the investigation of child sexual abuse; provide those services; provide a facility at which a multidisciplinary team can meet to facilitate the disposition of child sexual abuse cases through the civil and criminal justice systems; and coordinate the activities of governmental entities relating to investigations and services to victims and families. Multidisciplinary teams must include employees of the participating agencies who are professionals involved in the investigation or prosecution of child sexual abuse cases. The teams may also include professionals involved in the delivery of services to victims and families.

The law specifies that a person is immune from civil liability for a recommendation or an opinion given in good faith while acting in the official scope of the person's duties as a member of a center's multidisciplinary team or as a staff member or volunteer of a center. It also specifies that the files, reports, records, communications and working papers used or developed in providing services are confidential and are not public records.

Beginning January 2015, the Department of Health and Human Services must annually report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters regarding the centers. The report must include the number of centers and an overview of the protocols adopted by the centers and the effectiveness of the centers in coordinating the investigation and prosecution of child sexual abuse and referral of victims of child sexual abuse for treatment. The committee may submit legislation related to the report.

**LD 1337    An Act To Revise the Maine Wild Mushroom Harvesting Certification Program**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

Sponsor(s)  
SIROCKI

Committee Report  
ONTP  
OTP

Amendments Adopted

This bill creates an annual licensing requirement, in addition to the existing certification requirement, for certain persons selling, transferring or otherwise delivering wild mushrooms within the State. This bill provides that a

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person does not need a license to sell wild mushrooms that had been originally received from a licensed person. Fees currently required for certification are shifted to the annual licensing system. This bill adds a requirement that license holders maintain liability insurance, provides for a civil penalty of \$1,000 to \$5,000 for each violation of the license or insurance requirement and provides for license suspension for repeat offenses.

**LD 1343      An Act To Improve Work Readiness for Families Facing Significant Barriers to Employment      PUBLIC 376**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
EVES FLOOD	OTP-AM	H-345

This bill provides that if the case manager of a participant in the ASPIRE-TANF program determines that the participant has physical or mental health impairments, learning disabilities, cognitive impairments or limitations, the case manager must explore with the participant whether the participant wishes to undergo a comprehensive screening with possible referral to alternative services, supports and benefits. Following the assessment, the case manager, in coordination with the participant, is directed to establish a plan for the participant and the participant's family that includes appropriate services, supports and programs.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-345)**

This amendment clarifies the role of the case manager in the comprehensive screening and assessment process. It also clarifies that a person who fails to participate without good cause may be sanctioned by the Department of Health and Human Services.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 376 provides for a participant in the ASPIRE-TANF program to be screened for physical or mental health impairments, learning disabilities, cognitive impairments or limitations related to providing care for a household member with a disability or serious illness or a child with a serious behavioral condition. If it is determined that barriers to economic self-sufficiency and well-being exist, the participant must be offered the opportunity for a comprehensive assessment that may result in referral for alternative services, supports and income benefits. The participant's case manager shall ensure that any accommodation or support services necessary for the participant to participate in the assessment are made available to the participant. A person who fails to participate without good cause may be sanctioned by the Department of Health and Human Services.

**LD 1364      An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Hospital Leave Days for MaineCare Recipients      PUBLIC 423 EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANDERSON HAMPER	OTP-AM	H-370 S-360 HILL

This bill amends Public Law 2013, chapter 1 to clarify that the number of hospital and therapeutic leave days for MaineCare recipients is limited to 4 hospital leave days per hospital visit and one therapeutic leave day per year.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-370)**

This amendment changes the number of hospital leave days per hospital visit to 7 and the number of therapeutic leave days to 20 per year. The amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-360)**

This amendment amends Committee Amendment "A" to strike the substance of the bill and instead changes the

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retroactive application date contained in Public Law 2013, chapter 368 regarding the number of hospital leave days and therapeutic leave days from March 25, 2013 to April 1, 2013.

See also Public Law 2013, chapter 368, page 365 for an appropriation and an allocation to fund the initiative in the bill and page 681, Part LLLLLL, to apply the initiative retroactively to March 25, 2013.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 423 changes the retroactive application date contained in Public Law 2013, chapter 368 regarding the number of hospital leave days and therapeutic leave days from March 25, 2013 to April 1, 2013.  
See also Public Law 2013, chapter 368, page 365 for an appropriation and an allocation to fund the initiative in LD 1364 and page 681, Part LLLLLL, to apply the initiative retroactively to March 25, 2013.  
Public Law 2013, chapter 423 was enacted as an emergency measure effective July 16, 2013.

**LD 1383 An Act To Improve the Delivery of Early Child Care and Education Services**

**VETO SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BERRY CRAVEN	OTP-AM	H-464 S-362 HILL

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to pay child care services at the 75th percentile of the most current local market rate survey and pay a 10% premium to providers who meet tiered quality rating standards. It requires all providers of home visiting services to collaborate to better define rules and service parameters, directs Head Start program funding to the Early Head Start program, requires the department and the Child Care Advisory Council to establish a definition of "at-risk child" for the purposes of child care eligibility and diversifies the funding and uses of the early childhood professional development registry. It contains funding appropriations for child care, home visiting and Head Start.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-464)**

This amendment makes a number of changes to the bill.

1. It removes all references to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program from the bill.
2. It removes the section that would have required the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules regarding child care rates.
3. It requires, in the provision regarding home visiting services collaboration, the providers of home visiting and other home-based family services that receive funding from the department to report annually to the department and requires the department to report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature with jurisdiction over health and human services matters.
4. It replaces the section that would have directed all new Head Start program funding to the Early Head Start program with a requirement for state Head Start program funding to be targeted to the most at-risk children and families. Early Head Start program funding must be used for center-based services except when otherwise negotiated by the department.
5. It replaces the section that would have required the Child Care Advisory Council to develop a definition of "at-risk child." Instead, the council is required to make recommendations to the department regarding specific

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changes in rules or policies governing child care services. The department is required to take into account the recommendations during its rule-making process.

6. It requires the Child Care Advisory Council to include in its 2014 annual report the recommendations made to the department regarding child care services rules or policies, as well as an update on the funding and use of the early childhood professional development registry. It removes the requirement for the department to adopt rules regarding the registry.

**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-362)**

This amendment provides that the Department of Health and Human Services is not required to pay a quality differential rate for child care services provided through the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families block grant. It also removes the appropriations and allocations section.

**LD 1387 An Act To Provide Clarity and Consistency in Routine Public Health Licensing Activities**

**PUBLIC 264**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FARNSWORTH HAMPER	OTP-AM	H-371

This bill makes changes in licensing laws administered by the Department of Health and Human Services for the purposes of clarity and consistency. It clarifies to whom the definitions of "eating establishment" and "lodging place" apply, applies license fine and penalty provisions to public pools and public spas and provides a procedure for the referral of persons who fail to pay certain licensing penalties to the Attorney General's office for prosecution. The bill makes changes in the laws governing electrologists, tattoo artists and persons performing micropigmentation and body piercing to increase fines for violations and provide consistency in regulation and enforcement among these professions. The bill also makes toilet facility requirements for eating establishments consistent with rules of the Plumbers' Examining Board and provides that the law prohibiting animals in food stores also applies to animals owned by store owners and managers.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-371)**

This amendment changes the definition of "lodging place" so that bed and breakfasts and inns are included. It enacts a definition of "vacation rental" and excludes vacation rentals from licensing requirements applicable to lodging places.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 264 makes changes in licensing laws administered by the Department of Health and Human Services for the purposes of clarity and consistency. It clarifies to whom the definitions of "eating establishment" and "lodging place" apply, applies license fine and penalty provisions to public pools and public spas and provides a procedure for the referral of persons who fail to pay certain licensing penalties to the Attorney General's office for prosecution. It enacts a definition of "vacation rental" and excludes vacation rentals from licensing requirements applicable to lodging places. The law makes changes in the laws governing electrologists, tattoo artists and persons performing micropigmentation and body piercing to increase fines for violations and provide consistency in regulation and enforcement among these professions. The law also makes toilet facility requirements for eating establishments consistent with rules of the Plumbers' Examining Board and provides that the law prohibiting animals in food stores also applies to animals owned by store owners and managers.

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**LD 1388 An Act To Clarify Civil Liability of Persons Making False Claims to the Department of Health and Human Services**

**PUBLIC 235**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANDERSON HAMPER	OTP-AM	H-250

This bill clarifies liability for conduct associated with false claims made to the Department of Health and Human Services. It changes the description of the statements, documents and records the making or submission of which incurs liability and adds provisions governing so-called reverse false claims, submission of false information to the department in order to avoid or decrease an obligation to pay or transmit money or property to the department. It adds a definition of "knowing" or "knowingly."

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-250)**

This amendment adds clarifications that a person must knowingly make false statements or submit false documents that are material to a fraudulent claim to the Department of Health and Human Services to be liable for conduct associated with false claims.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 235 clarifies liability for conduct associated with false claims made to the Department of Health and Human Services. It changes the description of the statements, documents and records the making or submission of which incurs liability and adds provisions governing so-called reverse false claims, submission of false information to the department in order to avoid or decrease an obligation to pay or transmit money or property to the department. It adds a definition of "knowing" or "knowingly" and clarifies that a person must knowingly make false statements or submit false documents that are material to a fraudulent claim to the Department of Health and Human Services to be liable for conduct associated with false claims.

**LD 1404 An Act To Ensure the Integrity of Maine's Medical Marijuana Program**

**PUBLIC 396  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GILBERT LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM	H-514

This bill amends the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act to:

1. Allow primary caregivers to have an unlimited number of registered patients, removing the current restriction of 5 patients; and
2. Allow primary caregivers to have employees. The employees must meet the same age and criminal record requirements as primary caregivers.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-514)**

This amendment does the following.

1. It removes from the bill the provision that allows primary caregivers to provide services to an unlimited number of patients.
2. It retains and clarifies the provision of the bill that allows a primary caregiver to employ one person to assist the primary caregiver in performing the duties of the primary caregiver.

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3. It allows a primary caregiver, for the purposes of disposing of excess prepared marijuana, to transfer marijuana to a qualifying patient if nothing of value is provided to the primary caregiver and allows the patient to accept the excess prepared marijuana.
4. It directs the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt rules regarding employees of primary caregivers to establish an annual registration fee of no less than \$25 and no more than \$50, to require a criminal history record check prior to registration and annually thereafter and to establish a criminal history record check fee of no less than \$31 and no more than \$60.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 396 does the following.

1. It allows a primary caregiver to employ one person to assist the primary caregiver in performing the duties of the primary caregiver.
2. It allows a primary caregiver, for the purposes of disposing of excess prepared marijuana, to transfer marijuana to a qualifying patient if nothing of value is provided to the primary caregiver and allows the patient to accept the excess prepared marijuana.
3. It directs the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt rules regarding employees of primary caregivers to establish an annual registration fee of no less than \$25 and no more than \$50, to require a criminal history record check prior to registration and annually thereafter and to establish a criminal history record check fee of no less than \$31 and no more than \$60.

Public Law 2013, chapter 396 was enacted as an emergency measure effective July 2, 2013.

**LD 1407      An Act To Increase Access to Postsecondary Education for Maine's Children      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAYES CRAVEN	ONTP	

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to require a parent of an infant under one year of age seeking family assistance from the department to apply on behalf of the infant for a Harold Alfond College Challenge grant or sign a statement indicating why the parent chooses not to apply. The bill also requires the department to provide information to parents about the grants and assist parents in applying if requested.

**LD 1411      Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Request a Waiver To Prohibit the Use of Food Supplement Benefits for the Purchase of Taxable Food Items      DIED BETWEEN HOUSES**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KATZ HICKMAN	OTP-AM OTP-AM	

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to request a waiver from the United States Department of Agriculture to allow Maine to prohibit the use of federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits for the purchase of taxable food items.

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**Committee Amendment "B" (S-309)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, incorporates a fiscal note.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-308)**

This amendment, which is the majority report, amends the bill by replacing it with a requirement that the Commissioner of Health and Human Services convene a work group to consider strategies, educational opportunities and other initiatives to reduce food insecurity, promote healthy eating habits and improve access to fresh fruits and vegetables and local foods through farmers' markets and community-supported agriculture by recipients of benefits under the state-administered federal food supplement program known as SNAP. The Commissioner is required to report the work group's findings and recommendations to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services by January 15, 2014.

**LD 1416     An Act Regarding Responsibility of General Assistance for a Person                         ONTP**  
**Who Is Released from Prison**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRATWICK SCHNECK	ONTP	

This bill provides that if an applicant for general assistance under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 1161 has been released from a correctional facility within 45 days of application, the municipality of responsibility for the first 12 months of benefits is the municipality that was on record as the residence of the applicant when the applicant was committed to the correctional facility. The bill requires that a responsible municipality accept applications by telephone as long as the call is being made from a municipal office.

**LD 1417     An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Certain Human Services                         PUBLIC 179**  
**Licensing and Certification Requirements**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HAMPER SANDERSON	OTP-AM	S-104

This bill accomplishes the following.

1. To comply with federal requirements, it provides that the survey interval may be up to 15 months for intermediate care facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities.
2. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt routine technical rules necessary to license intermediate care facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities.
3. It changes the designation for most rules for licensed assisted housing programs from major substantive to routine technical.
4. It changes definitions relating to children's homes by replacing the term "residential child care facility" with "children's residential care facility," replacing the term "emergency shelter" with "emergency children's shelter" and replacing the term "residential treatment facility with secure capacity" with "children's residential treatment facility with secure capacity."
5. It clarifies that rules regarding various levels of children's residential care facilities are routine technical rules.



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6. It reduces training requirements for the certification of activity coordinators in long-term care facilities from 200 hours to 180 hours.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-104)**

This amendment removes from the bill the section that changes the statutory designation of rules for licensed assisted housing programs from major substantive to routine technical.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 179 does the following.

1. To comply with federal requirements, it provides that the survey interval may be up to 15 months for intermediate care facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities.
2. It requires the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt routine technical rules necessary to license intermediate care facilities for persons with intellectual disabilities.
3. It changes definitions relating to children's homes by replacing the term "residential child care facility" with "children's residential care facility," replacing the term "emergency shelter" with "emergency children's shelter" and replacing the term "residential treatment facility with secure capacity" with "children's residential treatment facility with secure capacity."
4. It clarifies that rules regarding various levels of children's residential care facilities are routine technical rules.
5. It reduces training requirements for the certification of activity coordinators in long-term care facilities from 200 hours to 180 hours.

**LD 1423 An Act To Amend the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act with Regard to Excess Prepared Marijuana**

**PUBLIC 393**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HICKMAN	OTP-AM ONTP	H-537

Under the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act, a person who is authorized to possess marijuana is limited in the amount of marijuana seedlings, marijuana plants or prepared marijuana that the person may possess. A person who exceeds the specified limits must forfeit the excess amount to a law enforcement officer. A 2nd violation results in the forfeiture of all marijuana in the possession of that person and the revocation of the person's registry identification card. A primary caregiver may transfer excess marijuana to a registered dispensary or another caregiver but only if nothing of value is received in return. This bill allows a qualifying patient or primary caregiver who possesses excess marijuana to sell the excess marijuana to a qualifying patient, primary caregiver or registered dispensary for reasonable compensation. This bill also removes the penalties for possession of excess marijuana.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-537)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and replaces the bill. This amendment authorizes a registered primary caregiver, for the purpose of disposing of excess prepared marijuana, to transfer for reasonable compensation up to 2 pounds per year to a dispensary and allows a dispensary to accept that transfer. This amendment corrects an error in current law on dispensaries regarding acquisition of marijuana plants.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 393 authorizes a registered primary caregiver, for the purpose of disposing of excess



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prepared marijuana, to transfer for reasonable compensation up to 2 pounds per year to a dispensary and allows a dispensary to accept that transfer. The law corrects an error in the statute regarding dispensaries and the acquisition of marijuana plants.

**LD 1443 An Act To Make Convicted Drug Felons Ineligible for TANF Assistance**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANDERSON HAMPER	ONTP OTP-AM	

Current law prohibits a person who has been convicted of a drug-related felony from being denied Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, or TANF, benefits due to that conviction. Current law also allows the drug testing of a person receiving TANF benefits if the person has been convicted of a drug-related felony within 20 years of receiving TANF. If the drug test is positive for illegal drugs, a second test may be requested by the person and, if the second test is positive, the suspension of TANF benefits may be avoided by enrolling in a substance abuse treatment program.

This bill repeals the prohibition against the denial of TANF benefits for a conviction of a drug-related felony, instead providing that anyone who is convicted for a drug-related felony after August 22, 1996 is ineligible for TANF benefits, including a person who is receiving TANF benefits on the effective date of the legislation. The bill also repeals the provision allowing the Department of Health and Human Services to administer drug tests to persons convicted of a drug-related felony and the person who tests positive for illegal drug use to avoid the loss of benefits. The bill requires an applicant for or recipient of TANF benefits to declare in a written, signed statement whether the person or any member of that person's household has been convicted of a drug-related felony.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-519)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, replaces the term "felony drug offense" with "disqualifying drug conviction."

**LD 1449 An Act To Amend the Composition and Duties of the Maine Children's Growth Council**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ALFOND FARNSWORTH		

This bill amends the composition and duties of the Maine Children's Growth Council by:

1. Requiring the Governor, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives, when making appointments to the council, to ensure that appointees represent a diversity of interests including early learning coalitions, public health and safety networks, organizations that prevent and address child abuse and neglect and philanthropic organizations;
2. Increasing the number of members who represent statewide associations of business and industry to 2;
3. Adding the commissioner, or the commissioner's designee, of the Department of Corrections, the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Department of Labor and the Department of Public Safety and the Superintendent of Insurance, or the superintendent's designee, as members;

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4. Adding 3 more employees from the Department of Health and Human Services or the Department of Education;
5. Staggering the terms of appointed members;
6. Requiring the Governor, when appointing the chairs of the council, to consider the recommendations of the council;
7. Specifying that certain public members not otherwise compensated are entitled to receive mileage and a per diem;
8. Specifying that staff members of the council are authorized to undertake certain actions, such as entering into contracts and providing funding;
9. Repealing the current law that requires the council to develop a long-term plan for investment in the healthy development of young children and replacing it with the requirement to develop a long-term plan in accordance with specific requirements, including:
  - A. Requirements for the council to consult with specified state agencies and local governments when developing the long-term plan; and
  - B. Strategies and timelines that provide for the coordination of resources and services across State Government and the elimination of duplicate programs and services to reflect the diversity of and uniqueness of young children and their families and to maximize federal funding; and
10. Requiring the long-term plan to be developed within 12 months of the effective date of this bill.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1462      An Act To Clarify and Correct Provisions of the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act      PUBLIC 374**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DION HASKELL	OTP-AM	H-465

This bill amends the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act in the following ways:

1. It changes the name of the act to the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Act;
2. It allows access to a registered dispensary's cultivation facility or a cultivation facility used by a patient or primary caregiver by a licensed health care professional, vendor, consultant or person performing repairs or maintenance, but only under the direct supervision of a registered cardholder who is a principal officer, board member or employee of the registered dispensary or a patient or primary caregiver;
3. It directs the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules for the medical use of marijuana to eliminate the requirement that a dispensary or a primary caregiver tag each marijuana plant with a patient's name or have any other method that allows the department to determine for whom a plant is being cultivated;
4. It requires the department to change the rule regarding written notification given by registered dispensaries of any substantive policy or procedure change, requiring notification to be made within 30 days of the implementation

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of the change, instead of at least 10 days prior to the change; and

5. It requires a correction to a reference to caregivers in the rules of the department; the reference should be to registered dispensaries.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-465)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment allows access to a cultivation facility by emergency services personnel and by a person who needs to gain access in order to perform repairs or maintenance or to do construction, but only under the direct supervision of a cardholder who is allowed access to the cultivation facility. The amendment requires a primary caregiver or dispensary that cultivates marijuana to use a numerical identification system and requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend the rules on primary caregivers and dispensaries to implement the numerical identification system requirement.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 374 amends the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act in the following ways:

- 1. It allows access to a registered dispensary's cultivation facility or a cultivation facility used by a patient or primary caregiver by a by emergency services personnel and by a person who needs to gain access in order to perform repairs or maintenance or to do construction, but only under the direct supervision of a cardholder who is allowed access to the cultivation facility;
- 2. It directs the Department of Health and Human Services to amend its rules for the medical use of marijuana to eliminate the requirement that a dispensary or a primary caregiver tag each marijuana plant with a patient's name. The law requires a primary caregiver or dispensary that cultivates marijuana to use a numerical identification system and requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend the rules on primary caregivers and dispensaries to implement the numerical identification system requirement; and
- 3. It requires a correction to a reference to caregivers in the rules of the department because the reference should be to registered dispensaries.

See also LD 1536, Part G, which corrects an error in the law.

**LD 1486 An Act To Maximize Funds Available To Provide Oral Health Care Services to Persons with Developmental, Behavioral or Other Severely Disabling Conditions Requiring Specialized and Time-intensive Oral Health Care**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
EVES GRATWICK	OTP-AM ONTP	H-520 H-562 GATTINE

This bill expands MaineCare coverage of oral health treatment for persons 21 years of age and older who seek treatment from their primary care provider or in a hospital emergency department for an acute oral health or related condition and are referred by the primary care provider or the hospital to a dental clinic certified by the Department of Health and Human Services to receive referrals. The bill requires MaineCare to cover medically necessary treatment of the underlying oral health conditions that led to the referral, as well as the screening, diagnosis and treatment of other conditions identified upon referral to the dental clinic. The department is authorized to adopt routine technical rules to determine the extent of covered services and the dental clinics that qualify to provide the expanded scope of services, including ensuring that those clinics provide prompt access to treatment.

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**Committee Amendment "A" (H-520)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**House Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (H-562)**

This amendment requires the Department of Health and Human Services to seek a Medicaid state plan amendment to provide preventive and restorative dental services for adults with developmental, behavioral or other severely disabling conditions who require specialized and time-intensive care and services. The department is authorized to implement such coverage with approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and transfer funds currently used for services provided at the Portland Dental Clinic.

**LD 1487 An Act To Implement Managed Care in the MaineCare Program**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KATZ	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill establishes managed care in the MaineCare program. The bill includes requirements for managed care plans and for contracting by the Department of Health and Human Services for managed care services. The bill specifies how MaineCare members enroll in managed care plans. The bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to apply for approval of a Medicaid state plan amendment to allow use of MaineCare funds to purchase available employer-sponsored health coverage and delays implementation of that provision until approval has been granted.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-217)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee and incorporates a fiscal note.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1500 An Act Regarding the Cost of Copies of Medical Records**

**PUBLIC 158**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>

This bill was reported by the Health and Human Services Committee pursuant to Joint Order S.P. 525. This bill amends the current law regarding copies of medical records to specify that it applies to paper copies, to change the maximum per page charge to 45¢ and to impose a cap of \$250 on the total charge. The bill requires electronic copies of medical records to be made available if electronic copies are reasonably possible, allows charges for reasonable costs of staff time and necessary costs for supplies and postage and imposes a cap of \$150 on the total charge. The bill prohibits a health care practitioner or hospital, when charging for an electronic copy of a medical record, from charging a retrieval fee or for the costs of new technology, maintenance of the electronic record system, data access or storage infrastructure.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 158 amends the current law regarding copies of medical records to specify that it applies to paper copies, to change the maximum per page charge to 45¢ and to impose a cap of \$250 on the total charge.

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The law requires electronic copies of medical records to be made available if electronic copies are reasonably possible, allows charges for reasonable costs of staff time and necessary costs for supplies and postage and imposes a cap of \$150 on the total charge. The law prohibits a health care practitioner or hospital, when charging for an electronic copy of a medical record, from charging a retrieval fee or for the costs of new technology, maintenance of the electronic record system, data access or storage infrastructure. See also LD 23.

**LD 1538      Resolve, To Establish a Task Force on Poverty and Personal Responsibility      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FREDETTE	ONTP	

This resolve is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208. This resolve proposes to establish a task force to study poverty and personal responsibility and report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature.

**LD 1552      Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Initiate a New Rate-setting Procedure for Preschool Services for Children with Disabilities under the MaineCare Program      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FARNSWORTH ALFOND		

This resolve requires the Department of Health and Human Services to initiate a rate-setting procedure for coverage under the MaineCare program of in-home and classroom-related preschool services for children with disabilities under the rules of the MaineCare program in Chapter 101, Chapter II, Section 28.

This resolve was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1556      Resolve, To Establish the Study Group To Examine the Issue of Medicaid Expansion      DIED ON ADJOURNMENT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FREDETTE		

This resolve establishes the Study Group To Examine the Issue of Medicaid Expansion to examine the issues associated with expanding Medicaid eligibility pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

LD 1556 was not reported out of committee. The bill died in committee upon adjournment.

**LD 1574      Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Study the Incidence of and Mortality Related to Cancer      RESOLVE 77 EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCCABE		

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This bill was acted upon without reference to committee.

This resolve creates the Commission To Study the Incidence of and Mortality Related to Cancer. This resolve incorporates the provisions of Legislative Document 1032 of the 126th Legislature but with the following changes. It:

1. Reduces the number of Legislators on the commission to 5;
2. Provides that the Director of the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention or the director's designee serves on the committee and is not appointed by the President of the Senate;
3. Reduces the number of authorized meetings to 4;
4. Provides that 50% of the funding for the committee comes from outside sources; and
5. Adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 77 establishes the Commission To Study the Incidence of and Mortality Related to Cancer. The commission consists of no more than 11 members: 2 Senators, 3 Representatives, the Director of the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention or the director's designee and 5 members of the public. The commission is directed gather information and data from public and private entities related to the incidence of and mortality from cancer. The resolve directs state agencies to provide information and data to the commission as necessary for its work, within existing resources. The commission is required to report no later than December 4, 2013, to the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services and to include its findings and recommendations. The commission is required to seek funding contributions to fund 50% of the costs of the study.

Resolve 2013, chapter 77 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective July 16, 2013.

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**Not Enacted**

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**Child Care**

**Enacted**

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**Not Enacted**

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### Child Care

#### Not Enacted

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### Not Enacted

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**Enacted**

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**Not Enacted**

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**Enacted**

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EMERGENCY

### Not Enacted

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### Not Enacted

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### Not Enacted

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## Medicaid/MaineCare

### Enacted

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EMERGENCY

### Not Enacted

**Medicaid/MaineCare**

**Not Enacted**

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LD 487	Resolve, To Establish MaineCare Eligibility for Young Adults Who Were Formerly in Foster Care	VETO SUSTAINED
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LD 710	Resolve, Requiring the Department of Health and Human Services To Adopt an Alternative MaineCare Nonemergency Transportation System to the Current Risk-based Prepaid Ambulatory Health Plan	ONTP
LD 746	Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Provide an Exception to the 60-day Limit on Out-of-state Services under the MaineCare Section 21 Waiver Program	ONTP
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LD 1066	An Act To Increase Access to Health Coverage and Qualify Maine for Federal Funding	VETO SUSTAINED
LD 1188	Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Amend Its Rules of Reimbursement under the MaineCare Program for Audiology and Speech-language Pathology Services	CARRIED OVER
LD 1247	An Act To Expand Coverage of Family Planning Services	CARRIED OVER
LD 1274	An Act To Sustain Emergency Medical Services throughout the State	HELD BY GOVERNOR
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Not Enacted

LD 1552	Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Initiate a New Rate-setting Procedure for Preschool Services for Children with Disabilities under the MaineCare Program	CARRIED OVER
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*Mental Health*

Enacted

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Not Enacted

LD 87	An Act To Improve Community Mental Health Treatment	CARRIED OVER
LD 968	An Act To Provide Needed Psychiatric Hospitalization for Persons with Mental Illness	CARRIED OVER
LD 1029	Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Amend Its Rules Pertaining to a Request for Mental Health Records	ONTP
LD 1166	An Act Regarding Records Retention by Mental Health Practitioners	ONTP
LD 1214	An Act To Require a Mandatory Assessment by a Physician prior to Psychotropic or Electroconvulsive Therapy	ONTP

*Oral Health/Dental Care*

Not Enacted

LD 499	An Act To Promote Dental Care for Low-income Populations	CARRIED OVER
LD 507	Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services To Amend Its Rules To Improve the Oral Health Education of Children	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 804	An Act To Improve Preventive Dental Health Care and Reduce Costs in the MaineCare Program	CARRIED OVER
LD 1486	An Act To Maximize Funds Available To Provide Oral Health Care Services to Persons with Developmental, Behavioral or Other Severely Disabling Conditions Requiring Specialized and Time-intensive Oral Health Care	VETO SUSTAINED

*Poverty and Homelessness*

Not Enacted

LD 598	Resolve, Directing All Relevant Agencies of State Government To Work in Concert with a Plan To End and Prevent Homelessness To Ensure That Resources Are Available To End Homelessness in the State	VETO SUSTAINED
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*Prescription Drugs*

Enacted

LD 388	Resolve, To Improve the Participation Rate of Prescribers in the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program	RESOLVE 25 EMERGENCY
LD 881	An Act To Improve the Unused Pharmaceutical Disposal Program	PUBLIC 121
LD 1063	An Act To Remove a Conflict in the Law Restricting the Sale or Purchase of Targeted Methamphetamine Precursors	PUBLIC 223 EMERGENCY

*Prescription Drugs*

Not Enacted

LD 77	An Act To Require Health Care Practitioners To Distribute Free Samples of Medication in Certain Circumstances	ONTP
LD 629	An Act To Restore Eligibility and Funding for Drug Programs for the Elderly and Disabled	DIED ON ADJOURNMENT
LD 1014	An Act To Improve Law Enforcement Access to Prescription Monitoring Program Data	ACCEPTED MINORITY (ONTP) REPORT

*Public Assistance*

Enacted

LD 78	An Act To Expand Transitional Assistance for Families	PUBLIC 97
LD 1343	An Act To Improve Work Readiness for Families Facing Significant Barriers to Employment	PUBLIC 376

Not Enacted

LD 256	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	ONTP
LD 389	An Act To Bring Fairness to General Assistance Programs by Changing the Method of Municipal Reimbursement	ONTP
LD 678	An Act To Allow Random Drug Testing for Recipients of Certain Public Benefits	ONTP
LD 892	An Act Regarding Municipal General Assistance	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 967	An Act Regarding Residency Requirements for General Assistance	ONTP
LD 1030	An Act To Require That Electronic Benefits Transfer System Cash Benefits Are Used for the Purpose for Which the Benefits Are Provided	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 1064	Resolve, To Establish the Task Force on Independence from Public Assistance	INDEF PP
LD 1411	Resolve, To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Request a Waiver To Prohibit the Use of Food Supplement Benefits for the Purchase of Taxable Food Items	DIED BETWEEN HOUSES
LD 1416	An Act Regarding Responsibility of General Assistance for a Person Who Is Released from Prison	ONTP
LD 1443	An Act To Make Convicted Drug Felons Ineligible for TANF Assistance	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 1538	Resolve, To Establish a Task Force on Poverty and Personal Responsibility	ONTP

*Public Health*

Enacted

LD 197	An Act To Improve Health Services to Schools	PUBLIC 78
LD 597	An Act To Inform Persons of the Options for the Treatment of Lyme Disease	PUBLIC 340

**Public Health**

**Enacted**

**LD 625**      **Resolve, Regarding Temporary Campgrounds**      **RESOLVE 55**

**Not Enacted**

**LD 180**      **An Act Concerning the Use of Tobacco Settlement Funds for Children's Health Care**      **CARRIED OVER**

**LD 272**      **An Act To Reduce Youth Cancer Risk**      **VETO  
SUSTAINED**

**LD 753**      **An Act To Prohibit the Sale of High-caffeine Energy Drinks to Persons under 18 Years of Age**      **MINORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

**LD 846**      **An Act To Improve and Modernize the Authority of Local Health Officers**      **ONTP**

**LD 1032**      **Resolve, Establishing the Commission To Study the Incidence of and Mortality Related to Cancer**      **VETO  
SUSTAINED**

**LD 1215**      **An Act To Protect Public Health by Regulating Excessive Wood Smoke as a Nuisance**      **INDEF PP**

**LD 1232**      **An Act To Maintain the Integrity of the Fund for a Healthy Maine**      **VETO  
SUSTAINED**

**LD 1294**      **An Act To Increase the Penalty for Smoking in a Motor Vehicle When a Child Is Present**      **ONTP**

**Substance Abuse**

**Not Enacted**

**LD 802**      **An Act To Encourage Alternative Forms of Treatment for Opiate or Opioid Addiction by Prohibiting MaineCare Coverage for Medication-assisted Treatment for Addiction**      **MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

**LD 908**      **An Act To Limit MaineCare Reimbursement for Suboxone and Methadone Treatment**      **MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

**LD 951**      **Resolve, Requiring the Department of Health and Human Services To Provide Methadone Clinic Data**      **CARRIED OVER**

**LD 1213**      **An Act To Reduce Costs and Increase Access to Methadone Treatment**      **CARRIED OVER**

**Tobacco Sale and Use**

**Not Enacted**

**LD 22**      **An Act To Promote Equity in Business Opportunity for Tobacco Specialty Stores**      **MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

**LD 386**      **An Act To Reduce Tobacco-related Illness and Lower Health Care Costs in MaineCare**      **HELD BY  
GOVERNOR**

**LD 468**      **An Act To Protect Public Health at Public Institutions of Higher Education**      **VETO  
SUSTAINED**





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**LD 44 An Act Regarding Pharmacy Provider Audits**

**PUBLIC 71**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BECK LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM	H-45

This bill limits the total amount that may be recouped in pharmacy audits to dispensing fees, unless a misfill occurs. The bill prohibits collection of amounts due as a result of an audit until the audit is complete and appeals are exhausted, unless there is evidence of pharmacy fraud or intentional or willful misrepresentation. The bill also limits access by pharmacy auditors to certain records, requires auditors to give advance notice of an audit and requires the random sampling of pharmacy transactions.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-45)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment adds provisions to the requirements in current law relating to on-site audits of pharmacy providers conducted by pharmacy benefits managers on behalf of health insurance carriers. The amendment requires auditors to give advance notice of audits, gives pharmacy providers the right to request mediation to resolve disagreements and makes clear that provisions relating to retrospective denial of claims apply to pharmacy claims subject to an audit.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 71 adds provisions to the requirements in current law relating to on-site audits of pharmacy providers conducted by pharmacy benefits managers on behalf of health insurance carriers. The law requires auditors to give advance notice of audits, gives pharmacy providers the right to request mediation to resolve disagreements and makes clear that provisions relating to retrospective denial of claims apply to pharmacy claims subject to an audit.

**LD 70 An Act To Require Full Disclosure by Insurance Carriers Using Credit Ratings**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAUDOIN	ONTP	

This bill requires an insurer that obtains credit information on a consumer to provide the consumer with notice of the consumer's credit rating and identify the impact of that rating on rates and coverage as part of the policy issued to the consumer.

**LD 83 An Act To Protect Health Insurance Ratepayers from Undocumented Rate Increases**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PATRICK PETERSON	ONTP	

This bill restores the statutory process for advance review and prior approval of individual health insurance rates and rescinds the changes to the rate review process for individual health insurance made by Public Law 2011, chapter 90.

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While LD 83 was voted "Ought Not to Pass", a related substantive provision restoring the statutory process for advance review and prior approval of individual health insurance rates was included in Committee Amendment "A" to LD 225, An Act to Restore Consumer Rate Review for Health Insurance Plans in the Individual Market. See LD 225.

**LD 102      An Act To Improve Health Insurance Transparency      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GOODE GRATWICK	ONTP	

This bill restores the statutory process for advance review and prior approval of individual health insurance rates and repeals the changes to the rate review process for individual health insurance made by Public Law 2011, chapter 90.

The bill also extends the same process for advance review and prior approval for small group health insurance rates. The bill also makes the proceedings of the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association open to the public as provided in the Freedom of Access Act.

While LD 102 was voted "Ought Not to Pass", a related substantive provision restoring the statutory process for advance review and prior approval of individual health insurance rates was included in Committee Amendment "A" to LD 225, An Act to Restore Consumer Rate Review for Health Insurance Plans in the Individual Market. See LD 225.

**LD 129      An Act To Give Retroactive Effect to the State Employee Health Commission's Reconsideration of Hospital Ratings      ACCEPTED MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BURNS MAKER	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill, which is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208, proposes to give retroactive effect to the State Employee Health Commission's reconsideration of hospital ratings. After publishing a list of hospitals that qualify for the maximum amount in coverage of costs under the health insurance plan that covers state employees, the State Employee Health Commission added to the list 6 hospitals that, effective October 1, 2012, qualify for such preferential health insurance coverage. The bill proposes to provide funds to reimburse those insureds who received services at one or more of those 6 hospitals during the period from July 1, 2012, when the initial list was published, to October 1, 2012 for the applicable difference in copayments and deductibles.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-144)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The amendment requires the Executive Director of Health Insurance to calculate the amounts of and reimburse those members enrolled in the state employee health plan for the applicable differences in copayments and deductibles for services received at one or more of 6 hospitals not included on the State Employee Health Commission's list of preferred hospitals from July 1, 2012, when the initial list was published, to October 1, 2012, when those hospitals were added to the list. The amendment also provides funds for the reimbursement in an appropriations and allocations section.

Committee Amendment "A" was not adopted.

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**LD 133 An Act To Allow an Operator of a Motor Vehicle To Show Proof of Insurance by Electronic Means**

**PUBLIC 72**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FITZPATRICK JACKSON T	OTP-AM	H-52

This bill provides that evidence of liability insurance or financial responsibility may be in electronic form.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-52)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment provides that evidence of liability insurance or financial responsibility may be in electronic form when an operator of a motor vehicle registers a motor vehicle and when an operator is stopped by a law enforcement officer for a moving violation or is involved in an accident. The amendment clarifies that providing proof of insurance on a portable electronic device does not constitute consent for a law enforcement officer to access other contents of the portable electronic device. The amendment also makes technical changes to reflect the authorization to issue evidence of liability insurance or financial responsibility in electronic form.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 72 provides that evidence of liability insurance or financial responsibility may be in electronic form when an operator of a motor vehicle registers a motor vehicle and when an operator is stopped by a law enforcement officer for a moving violation or is involved in an accident. The law clarifies that providing proof of insurance on a portable electronic device does not constitute consent for a law enforcement officer to access other contents of the portable electronic device. The law also makes technical changes to reflect the authorization to issue evidence of liability insurance or financial responsibility in electronic form.

**LD 146 Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Insurance To Study Issues Related to Long-term Care Insurance**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TREAT CRAVEN	OTP-AM	H-211

This bill prohibits unfair discrimination on the basis of gender in the underwriting of long-term care insurance. The bill also requires the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance to evaluate the best methods to stabilize rates for long-term care insurance and to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-211)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve directing the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance to study issues related to long-term care insurance, including, but not limited to, methods to stabilize rates and prevent unfair discrimination based on gender or other factors. The resolve requires the bureau to submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services by February 1, 2014 and authorizes the committee to submit a bill based on the report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

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**LD 158      An Act To Amend the Notice of Risk to Personal Data Act To Further  
Protect Consumers**

**DIED BETWEEN  
HOUSES**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TREAT PATRICK	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill requires that notice of a security breach pursuant to the Notice of Risk to Personal Data Act must be made no later than 30 days after discovery of the breach to residents affected by the breach and must be made immediately to state regulators. The bill also doubles the financial penalties for a civil violation.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-151)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The amendment does the following with respect to the Notice of Risk to Personal Data Act.

1. It clarifies the definition of "breach of the security of the system" to include lost, misplaced or unaccounted for computerized data that includes personal information and requires notice to be provided to residents affected by a breach within 60 days unless the computerized data becomes accounted for prior to the 60-day deadline.
2. It requires that notice of a breach must be provided to state regulators no later than 10 days after discovery of the breach.
3. It clarifies that a notice to residents affected by a breach may be delayed only pursuant to a written request from a law enforcement agency.
4. It does not include the provision in the bill increasing the penalties for violations.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in the House, but was not adopted in the Senate.

**LD 161      An Act To Restrict a Health Insurance Carrier to Rating on the Basis of  
One Geographic Area**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LUCHINI	OTP-AM ONTP	H-288

This bill eliminates the ability of health insurers to establish a separate premium rate variation on the basis of geographic area, which was enacted as part of Public Law 2011, chapter 90. The bill merges the rating bands for age and geographic area so that the combined rate differential due to age and geographic area may not exceed a ratio of 3 to 1 beginning January 1, 2014 for all individual and small group health insurance policies.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-288)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The amendment requires health insurance carriers to use only one rating area based on geography within the State when establishing rates for individual and small group health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2015.

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LD 176 An Act To Amend and Clarify the Maine Uniform Securities Act

PUBLIC 39

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WHITTEMORE MORRISON	OTP-AM	S-18

The Maine Uniform Securities Act currently provides the Securities Administrator of the Office of Securities within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation with the authority to institute a revocation or suspension proceeding against a licensee within one year after withdrawal of a license by a licensee. This bill allows the administrator also to institute a revocation or suspension proceeding within one year of a license's becoming ineffective due to nonrenewal.

The bill clarifies that the culpable mental state that must be proven to support a criminal conviction of a person under the Maine Uniform Securities Act is that the person intentionally or knowingly engaged in conduct that violated the Act and that no proof of knowledge of the law is required.

The Maine Uniform Securities Act provides for an order of restitution as part of a civil or criminal action under the Act. The bill allows the administrator to order restitution in a final order as part of an administrative proceeding. The Maine Uniform Securities Act provides that an order of the administrator may be appealed to the Superior Court by the person against whom the order is issued.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-18)**

This amendment removes language that is not necessary to clarify the statute.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 39 allows the Securities Administrator of the Office of Securities within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation with the authority to institute a revocation or suspension proceeding against a licensee within one year of a license's becoming ineffective due to nonrenewal. Current law allows the administrator to institute a revocation or suspension proceeding within one year after withdrawal of a license by a licensee.

The law clarifies that the culpable mental state that must be proven to support a criminal conviction of a person under the Maine Uniform Securities Act is that the person intentionally or knowingly engaged in conduct that violated the Act and that no proof of knowledge of the law is required.

The Maine Uniform Securities Act provides for an order of restitution as part of a civil or criminal action under the Act. The law allows the administrator to order restitution in a final order as part of an administrative proceeding.

LD 204 An Act To Amend the Laws That Govern the Activities of Insurance Adjusters

ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW	ONTP OTP-AM	

Current law prohibits an insurance adjuster from soliciting or offering an adjustment services contract to any person for at least 36 hours after an accident or occurrence as a result of which the person might have a potential claim.

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This bill repeals that prohibition.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-12)**

This amendment replaces the bill and is the minority report of the committee. Current law prohibits a public insurance adjuster from soliciting or offering an adjustment services contract to any person for at least 36 hours after an accident or occurrence as a result of which the person might have a potential claim. This amendment removes that prohibition and instead provides that public insurance adjusters may not solicit or offer a contract during an accident or occurrence. The amendment also extends the time in which a person may rescind an adjustment services contract from 2 to 4 business days after the contract is signed.

Committee Amendment "A" was not adopted.

**LD 205      An Act To Exempt Free Clinics from Licensing under the Charitable Solicitations Act      PUBLIC 60**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ROCHELO DUTREMBLE	OTP-AM	H-26

This bill exempts incorporated nonprofit health facilities that provide health care to persons at no charge from licensing requirements under the Charitable Solicitations Act.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-26)**

This amendment defines free clinics and exempts free clinics from the licensing requirements under the Charitable Solicitations Act. Like other exempt charitable organizations, free clinics will be required to annually apply for the exemption pursuant to the process in current law.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 60 defines free clinics and exempts free clinics from the licensing requirements under the Charitable Solicitations Act. Like other exempt charitable organizations, free clinics will be required to annually apply for the exemption pursuant to the process in current law.

**LD 225      An Act To Restore Consumer Rate Review for Health Insurance Plans in the Individual Market      VETO SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LIBBY N CRAVEN	OTP-AM ONTP	H-314

This bill restores the statutory process for advance review and prior approval of individual health insurance rates and rescinds the changes to the rate review process for individual health insurance made by Public Law 2011, chapter 90. The bill also extends the requirement for advance review and prior approval to small group health insurance rates. The bill requires the Superintendent of Insurance to hold a hearing if a filing proposes an increase in rates in individual or small group health insurance plans and requires the superintendent to hold meetings in at least 3 locations to allow public comment as part of any hearing.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-314)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The amendment does the following.

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1. The amendment restores the statutory process for advance review and prior approval of individual health insurance rates and rescinds the changes to the rate review process for individual health insurance made by Public Law 2011, chapter 90.
2. The amendment requires the Superintendent of Insurance to hold a hearing if a filing proposes an increase in rates in individual health insurance plans.
3. The amendment removes the provisions in the bill that relate to small group health insurance and the provision that requires the superintendent to hold meetings in at least 3 locations to allow public comment as part of any hearing.
4. The amendment makes references to the minimum medical loss ratio for individual health plans consistent with federal law.
5. The amendment removes cross-references to reflect the changes to the rate review process.
6. The amendment also clarifies that the changes apply to individual health plan rate filings submitted to the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance beginning with the 2015 plan year.
7. The amendment adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**LD 347      An Act To Amend Insurance Coverage for Diagnosis of Autism  
Spectrum Disorders**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LACHOWICZ FARNSWORTH		

This bill expands health insurance coverage for autism spectrum disorders to persons 21 years of age and under. Current law requires coverage for only those 5 years of age and under. The bill applies to individual, group health and group health maintenance organization insurance policies, contracts and certificates issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2014.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 393      An Act To Cap Interest Rates and Finance Charges on Credit and  
Loans**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BROOKS GRATWICK	ONTP	

This bill limits the maximum interest rates and finance charges charged on consumer credit and consumer loans to 18%.



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**LD 448 An Act To Authorize the State Employee Health Commission's Preferred Provider Program**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HILL EVES	ONTP	

This bill authorizes the State Employee Health Commission to develop and implement a preferred provider program, health insurance program or any other program the purpose of which is to rank into tiers health care providers, including hospitals and health care organizations, to determine preferred hospital or health care provider status for the state employee health insurance program and to steer the state employee health insurance program members to be treated by or to consult with certain health care providers, including hospitals and health care organizations, based on cost and quality of health care. The commission is directed to adopt major substantive rules to develop and implement the preferred provider program.

**LD 452 An Act Concerning Hurricane Deductibles**

**PUBLIC 38**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MORRISON WHITTEMORE	OTP-AM	H-17

This bill requires the Superintendent of Insurance to adopt routine technical rules concerning the use of hurricane deductibles used in policies subject to the property insurance cancellation control laws.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-17)**

This amendment clarifies language in the bill.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 38 requires the Superintendent of Insurance to adopt routine technical rules concerning the use of hurricane deductibles used in policies subject to the property insurance cancellation control laws.

**LD 454 An Act Relating to Health Care Provider Liability Claims Reports**

**PUBLIC 59**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BECK CLEVELAND	OTP-AM	H-25

The purpose of this bill is to correct an inconsistency within the Maine Health Security Act. Currently the Superintendent of Insurance is required to forward to the Board of Licensure in Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Licensure information received from professional liability insurers concerning claims against those they insure who are licensed by those boards. Professional liability insurers are also required to provide the superintendent information concerning claims against health care providers, but the superintendent is not authorized to provide information on those claims to the state agencies that license those health care providers. This bill gives authority to the superintendent to submit these reports to the appropriate licensing authority.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-25)**

This amendment adds a provision to the bill clarifying the authority of the Superintendent of Insurance to submit

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reports of cancellation and nonrenewals from professional liability insurers to the appropriate state licensing authority for health care providers. The amendment makes this provision consistent with the bill, which clarifies the authority of the superintendent to submit professional liability insurance claims reports to those same state licensing authorities.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 59 gives authority to the superintendent to submit liability claims reports and reports of cancellation and nonrenewals from professional liability insurers to the appropriate state licensing authority for health care providers. Currently the Superintendent of Insurance is required to forward to the Board of Licensure in Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Licensure liability claims reports and reports of cancellation and nonrenewals from professional liability insurers against those they insure who are licensed by those boards, but the superintendent is not authorized to provide that information to the state agencies that license other health care providers.

**LD 506      Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Insurance To Amend Its Rules  
                 Pertaining to Medicare Advantage Plans**

**RESOLVE 19  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LANGLEY	OTP	

This resolve directs the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance to amend its rules to clarify that a Medicare beneficiary who is enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan may enroll in another Medicare Advantage plan with the same insurer or a different insurer for a period of 3 years without affecting the Medicare beneficiary's continuity of coverage.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 19 directs the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance to amend its rules to clarify that a Medicare beneficiary who is enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan may enroll in another Medicare Advantage plan with the same insurer or a different insurer for a period of 3 years without affecting the Medicare beneficiary's continuity of coverage.  
Resolve 2013, chapter 19 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective May 14, 2013.

**LD 523      An Act To Require Health Insurance Coverage for Hearing Aids for  
                 Adults**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
VALENTINO BECK		

This bill requires health insurance coverage of hearing aids for persons over 18 years of age.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

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**LD 546      An Act To Improve Transparency and Oversight of the Maine  
Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association and To Make Changes  
Necessary To Comply with Federal Law**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TREAT	ONTP	

This bill makes the following changes to the laws governing the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association:

1. It makes meetings of the Board of Directors of the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association public under the State's freedom of access laws unless the board holds executive sessions as permitted under the State's freedom of access laws;
2. It adds 2 consumer members to the Board of Directors and reduces the number of board members who are representatives of insurers from 5 to 3;
3. It suspends the authority of the association to collect assessments and premiums or provide reinsurance and reimbursement for 3 years, from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2016 and also requires that the association submit a revised plan of operation to the Superintendent of Insurance before resuming operations;
4. It provides that the association may not provide reinsurance or reimbursement to a member insurer unless the insurer meets the 80% minimum medical loss ratio for individual health insurance established under federal and state law; and
5. It directs the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over insurance and financial services matters to evaluate the transitional reinsurance program operating in the State from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2016 under federal law. Before January 1, 2016, the committee is required to make a recommendation to the Legislature whether the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association should resume operations and whether statutory changes should be made. The Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services may report out a bill based on its recommendations to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.

While LD 546 was voted "Ought Not to Pass", related substantive provisions were included in Committee Amendment "A" to LD 1167, An Act Regarding the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association, which was enacted as Public Law 2013, chapter 273. See LD 1167.

**LD 547      An Act To Ensure the Accountability of Taxpayer Funds and State  
Collaboration, Planning and Oversight in the Implementation and  
Operation of a Health Exchange in Maine**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TREAT WOODBURY	ONTP	

Part A of this bill clarifies that the provisions relating to navigators apply only to any state-based health exchange that may be established in this State pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the federal Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010. It also clarifies that certain activities may be performed by a navigator without a license as an insurance producer or being subject to regulation as an insurance business.

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Part B of this bill allows an insurance company authorized to do business in Vermont to offer individual health insurance for sale in this State. Current law is limited to insurance companies authorized to do business in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island.

Part C of this bill establishes the Maine Health Exchange Advisory Board to advise the Federal Government, the Governor, the Legislature, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance on the implementation and operation of a health exchange in this State pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The advisory board is comprised of 17 members, including 5 members who are Legislators.

While LD 547 was voted "Ought Not to Pass", related substantive provisions as proposed in the bill were included in Committee Amendment "A" to LD 1094, An Act to Ensure State Coordination and Oversight of Health Plans, which was enacted as Public Law 2013, chapter 388. See LD 1094.

**LD 580      An Act To Prohibit Denial of Insurance Coverage When a Building Contains a Wood Stove      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
AYOTTE SHERMAN	ONTP	

This bill requires an insurance policy to provide coverage for a property containing a wood stove if the installation of the stove has been inspected and approved by the municipal building official and meets all applicable fire safety codes and ordinances.

**LD 602      An Act Regarding the Regulation of Consumer Finance Companies      ACCEPTED MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BECK CAIN	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill updates the allowable finance charges on consumer loans by companies subject to the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-139)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. The amendment updates the allowable finance charges on consumer loans by companies subject to the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Consumer Credit Protection and requires the finance charges to be calculated according to the simple interest method.

Committee Amendment "A" was not adopted.

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**LD 603 An Act To Repeal an Insurance Reporting Requirement**

**PUBLIC 52**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
STANLEY WHITTEMORE	OTP	

This bill repeals a requirement that the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Superintendent of Insurance provide an annual report to the Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards regarding workers' compensation insurance premium and loss costs data as well as similar information with respect to workers' compensation self-insurance.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 52 repeals a requirement that the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Superintendent of Insurance provide an annual report to the Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Standards regarding workers' compensation insurance premium and loss costs data as well as similar information with respect to workers' compensation self-insurance.

**LD 627 An Act Relating to Orally Administered Cancer Therapy**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CAIN HOBBINS	OTP-AM	

This bill requires health insurance policies that cover cancer chemotherapy to include coverage for orally administered anticancer medications.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-160)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. The amendment directs the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance and the Department of Health and Human Services, Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to jointly convene a work group to review and report on insurance coverage as it relates to the affordability and accessibility of chemotherapy treatment in Maine. The amendment requires the Bureau of Insurance, after consultation with the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention and work group members, to submit a written report on behalf of the work group by December 1, 2013 to the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services and authorizes the committee to report out a bill based on the report. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

This bill was recommitted to the Insurance and Financial Services Committee and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 628 An Act To Clarify Uninsured Vehicle Coverage for Multiple Claimants**

**PUBLIC 284**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KATZ CROCKETT	OTP-AM ONTP	S-146

This bill provides that in the event that an underinsured vehicle policy applicable to 2 or more claimants contains a

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single per accident limit, the amount of underinsured vehicle coverage available to each claimant must be calculated by deducting any payment received from the owner or operator of the underinsured motor vehicle from that single limit. In no event may the maximum amount payable by the insurer to all claimants exceed that limit.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-146)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The amendment incorporates the substantive provisions of the bill and makes technical changes to clarify the language.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 284 provides that, in the event that an underinsured vehicle policy applicable to 2 or more claimants contains a single per accident limit, the amount of underinsured vehicle coverage available to each claimant must be calculated by deducting any payment received from the owner or operator of the underinsured motor vehicle from that single limit. In no event may the maximum amount payable by the insurer to all claimants exceed that limit.

**LD 637      An Act To Prohibit Consideration of Preexisting Conditions in      ONTP**  
**Short-term Disability Insurance**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE BECK	ONTP	

This bill prohibits an insurer that issues group short-term disability insurance on or after January 1, 2014 from refusing to provide coverage on the basis of a preexisting condition and from imposing any exclusion on coverage based on that preexisting condition.

**LD 645      An Act To Allow the Adjustment of the Assessment Rate for the Rural      PUBLIC 170**  
**Medical Access Program**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WHITTEMORE FITZPATRICK	OTP	

Currently, the Rural Medical Access Program assessment rate is 0.75% of professional liability insurance premium, which results in annual revenues in excess of annual costs. This bill authorizes the Superintendent of Insurance to lower the assessment rate by rule in order to allow for the orderly and prudent drawdown of excess funds not needed by the program.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Currently, the Rural Medical Access Program assessment rate is 0.75% of professional liability insurance premium, which results in annual revenues in excess of annual costs. Public Law 2013, chapter 170 authorizes the Superintendent of Insurance to lower the assessment rate by rule in order to allow for the orderly and prudent drawdown of excess funds not needed by the program.

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**LD 648      An Act To Make Records of External Review Proceedings Overseen by  
the Bureau of Insurance Confidential**

**PUBLIC 274**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRATWICK TREAT	OTP-AM	S-113

This bill protects the confidentiality of records of external review proceedings arranged by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance concerning an insurance carrier's adverse health care treatment decision.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-113)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment protects the confidentiality of records of an external review proceeding arranged by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance concerning an insurance carrier's adverse health care treatment decision, but gives parties to an external review proceeding the right to obtain a transcript or recording of the external review hearing and a copy of any evidence. The amendment also requires the Superintendent of Insurance to disseminate aggregate information relating to external review decisions to the Legislature and the public on an annual basis.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 274 protects the confidentiality of records of an external review proceeding arranged by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance concerning an insurance carrier's adverse health care treatment decision, but gives parties to an external review proceeding the right to obtain a transcript or recording of the external review hearing and a copy of any evidence. The law also requires the Superintendent of Insurance to disseminate aggregate information relating to external review decisions to the Legislature and the public on an annual basis.

**LD 651      An Act To Amend the Captive Insurance Laws**

**LEAVE TO  
WITHDRAW**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CUSHING MCCLELLAN		

This bill provides that the joint and several liability for a bank, municipality or hospital that is a member of an association captive insurance company is limited to an amount per year equal to the premium for the most recently completed annual insurance period or a greater amount as established by the association captive insurance company.

**LD 653      An Act To Remove an Unnecessary Provision in the Maine Insurance  
Code**

**PUBLIC 94**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FITZPATRICK WHITTEMORE	OTP	

This bill repeals a provision of the Maine Insurance Code that requires a carrier offering standardized Medicare supplement plans that include prescription drug coverage to allow an insured of that carrier who was formerly eligible for the low-cost drugs for the elderly or disabled program to purchase a plan with drug benefits from that

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carrier. This provision of law is no longer relevant since Medicare Part D prescription drug coverage was removed from all standardized Medicare supplement plans.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 94 repeals a provision of the Maine Insurance Code that requires a carrier offering standardized Medicare supplement plans that include prescription drug coverage to allow an insured of that carrier who was formerly eligible for the low-cost drugs for the elderly or disabled program to purchase a plan with drug benefits from that carrier. This provision of law is no longer relevant since Medicare Part D prescription drug coverage was removed from all standardized Medicare supplement plans.

**LD 681      An Act To Improve Oversight of Insurance Rates and Ensure Consistency with Federal Law      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TREAT GRATWICK	ONTP	

Part A of this bill restores the statutory process for advance review and prior approval of individual health insurance rates and repeals the changes to the rate review process for individual health insurance made by Public Law 2011, chapter 90.

Part B of the bill extends the same process for advance review and prior approval for small group health insurance rates.

Part C of the bill merges the rating bands for age, geographic area and tobacco use so that the combined rate differential due to age, geographic area and tobacco use may not exceed a ratio of 3 to 1 beginning July 1, 2013 for all individual and small group health insurance policies. The bill authorizes the Superintendent of Insurance to adopt rules regarding rating based on tobacco use that set appropriate methodologies and standards that are consistent with the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the federal Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, and do not permit rate variation that would penalize an individual who participates in a smoking cessation program or who is not provided the opportunity to participate in one.

While LD 681 was voted "Ought Not to Pass", a related substantive provision restoring the statutory process for advance review and prior approval of individual health insurance rates as proposed in Part A of the bill was included in Committee Amendment "A" to LD 225, An Act to Restore Consumer Rate Review for Health Insurance Plans in the Individual Market. See LD 225.

**LD 682      An Act To Require Health Insurers To Provide Coverage for Nutritional Wellness and Illness Prevention Measures and Products      ACCEPTED MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BOLAND WHITTEMORE	ONTP OTP-AM	

The purpose of this bill is to improve health, reduce health care usage and costs and help prevent disease through nutritional wellness and illness prevention measures and allow for nonpharmacological health care alternatives for enrollees who choose them. The bill requires that health insurance policies provide coverage for nutritional wellness and illness prevention measures that are shown to be beneficial to the enrollee and are recommended by the enrollee's physician. The bill applies to all individual and group policies issued or renewed on or after January



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**Committee Amendment "A" (H-347)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. The amendment exempts the bill from the requirements for review and evaluation by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 24-A, section 2752. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

Committee Amendment "A" was not adopted.

**LD 683      An Act To Assist Homeowners with Wood Stoves in Obtaining Property Insurance      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JOHNSON D PATRICK	ONTP	

This bill requires an insurance policy to provide coverage for a property containing 2 heating sources sharing the same flue.

**LD 706      An Act To Amend the Workers' Compensation Self-insurance Laws      PUBLIC 172**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE	OTP-AM	S-74

This bill specifies that a group self-insurer that is part of a reinsurance account that has net assets of at least \$40,000,000 and that obtains reinsurance coverage with an initial attachment point of no greater than \$1,000,000 has sufficient assets in the aggregate to qualify for funding the group's workers' compensation exposures at the 65% level of confidence.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-74)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment provides flexibility to modify retention levels for self-insurance reinsurance accounts in response to medical inflation and other changes in circumstances with approval of the Superintendent of Insurance. The amendment also revises the investment standards for self-insurance deposits and trusts to reduce concentration risk and other market risks posed by specifying a narrow range of permitted investments.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 172 provides flexibility to modify retention levels for self-insurance reinsurance accounts in response to medical inflation and other changes in circumstances with approval of the Superintendent of Insurance. The law also revises the investment standards for self-insurance deposits and trusts to reduce concentration risk and other market risks posed by specifying a narrow range of permitted investments.

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**LD 727 An Act Establishing Health Care Practitioner Transparency Requirements**

**PUBLIC 285**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRATWICK SANBORN	OTP-AM	S-154

This bill ensures that patients receive accurate health care information by prohibiting deceptive or misleading advertising or misrepresentation in the provision of health care services, requiring the identification and level of licensure of health care practitioners with patient contact and clarifying disciplinary actions that may be taken for failure to comply with these consumer information requirements.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-154)**

This amendment reallocates and clarifies the provisions of the bill except for the current law regarding notification of charges for health care service. This amendment clarifies health care practitioner identification requirements and the disciplinary actions that may be taken for failure to comply with these consumer information requirements. The amendment provides that a licensing board may impose additional requirements on a health care practitioner for professional conduct and advertising. The amendment removes the provision in the bill addressing disclosure of charges for health care services because it is included in other legislation.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 285 ensures that patients receive accurate health care information by prohibiting deceptive or misleading advertising or misrepresentation in the provision of health care services, requiring the identification and level of licensure of health care practitioners with patient contact and clarifying disciplinary actions that may be taken for failure to comply with these consumer information requirements.

**LD 756 An Act Regarding Subrogation of Medical Payments Coverage**

**DIED BETWEEN HOUSES**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BECK	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill strikes language in the law that allows subrogation or priority over the insured of medical payments in certain instances in a casualty insurance policy for any hospital, nursing, medical or surgical services or any expenses paid or reimbursed under the medical payments coverage in the policy in the event that the insured is entitled to receive payment.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-203)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The bill strikes language in the law that allows subrogation, while the amendment keeps that language and allows subrogation or priority over the insured of medical payments in certain instances in a casualty insurance policy for any hospital, nursing, medical or surgical services or of any expenses paid or reimbursed under the medical payments coverage in the policy only when the insured's awarded or settled damages exceed \$20,000.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in the House, but was not adopted in the Senate.

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**LD 776      An Act To Amend the Laws Related to Rate and Form Filings      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BECK KATZ	ONTP	

This bill provides that an insurer is entitled to trade secret protection under the Uniform Trade Secrets Act for a rate filing and its supporting data that are a trade secret.

**LD 806      An Act To Allow the Purchase of Workers' Compensation Insurance      ONTP**  
**Coverage for Domestic Employees from an Insurance Company That**  
**Provides Liability Insurance for Homeowners or Tenants**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SANDERSON MASON G	ONTP	

This bill permits employers of domestic workers to voluntarily procure workers' compensation insurance for those workers from an insurance company providing liability insurance for homeowners or tenants in this State and authorizes those companies to provide such insurance.

**LD 812      An Act To Create an Open Enrollment Period Consistent with Federal      PUBLIC 271**  
**Regulations for Health Insurance Exchanges      EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BECK LACHOWICZ	OTP-AM	H-240

This bill establishes an open enrollment period for individual health insurance plans that is consistent with the open enrollment period established by federal regulations for health benefit exchanges, and provides for the same special enrollment periods as exist for coverage purchased through a health insurance exchange.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-240)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment permits carriers to restrict enrollment in individual health insurance plans to open enrollment periods and special enrollment periods consistent with requirements of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The amendment also adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 271 permits carriers to restrict enrollment in individual health insurance plans to open enrollment periods and special enrollment periods consistent with requirements of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

Public Law 2013, chapter 271 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 14, 2013.

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**LD 848      Resolve, Directing the Bureau of Insurance To Amend Its Rules  
                 Pertaining to 3rd-party Notice of Cancellation**

**RESOLVE 39**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HOBBINS	OTP-AM	H-152

This bill adds provisions to the Maine Insurance Code to allow an insured person who had been paying for health insurance through a payroll plan a period of 60 days after the insured person is no longer on the payroll plan to designate at least one other person to receive notice of lapse or termination of the policy.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-152)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve directing the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance to amend Bureau of Insurance Rule Chapter 580 regarding 3rd-party notice of cancellation to add an additional alternative for compliance with notice requirements. Under this 3rd alternative, an insurer may defer collection of 3rd-party notification information while an insured pays a premium through a payroll deduction plan.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 39 directs the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance to amend Bureau of Insurance Rule Chapter 580 regarding 3rd-party notice of cancellation to add an additional alternative for compliance with notice requirements. Under this 3rd alternative, an insurer may defer collection of 3rd-party notification information while an insured pays a premium through a payroll deduction plan.

**LD 891      An Act To Create Uniform Claims Paying Practices in Long-term Care  
                 Insurance Policies**

**PUBLIC 278  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LANGLEY	OTP-AM	S-147

This bill requires a long-term care insurer to pay a claim to an insured within 14 business days of receipt of all necessary documentation identified by the insurer. A claim that is not paid within 14 business days is overdue and subject to interest of 1 1/2% per month after the due date.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-147)**

This amendment replaces the substantive provisions of the bill, but retains the emergency preamble and emergency clause. The amendment requires a long-term care insurer to pay a claim to an insured within 30 days of receipt of all necessary documentation identified by the insurer, which extends the time from 14 days as proposed in the bill. The amendment also provides that insurers may delay payment of claims and request additional information related only to substantive issues, which are required to be designated through rules.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 278 requires a long-term care insurer to pay a claim to an insured within 30 days of receipt of all necessary documentation identified by the insurer. The law also provides that insurers may delay payment of claims and request additional information related only to substantive issues, which are required to be designated through rules.

Public Law 2013, chapter 278 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 18, 2013.

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**LD 893      An Act To Protect Life Insurance Policyholders      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
VALENTINO	ONTP	

This bill requires that a notice of cancellation of life insurance be sent by registered mail to the last known address of the policyholder and any 3rd party designated by the policyholder.

**LD 971      An Act Regarding Exemptions under the Maine Insurance Code      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BECK	ONTP	

This bill removes the exemption of health care sharing ministries from regulation as insurers under the Maine Insurance Code.

**LD 984      An Act To Amend the Health Plan Improvement Law Regarding Prescription Drug Step Therapy and Prior Authorization      VETO SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRATWICK MORRISON	OTP-AM ONTP	S-123

This bill establishes certain standards for prescription drug step therapy policies. The bill also reduces the time for health insurance carriers to respond to nonemergency prescription drug prior authorization requests from 2 days to 24 hours.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-123)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and replaces the bill. The amendment provides that the clinical review criteria used by a carrier in approving prescription drugs may not require dispensing of a medication for an off-label use and, as in the bill, may not require failure on the same medication on more than one occasion for enrollees continuously enrolled in a health plan offered by the carrier. The amendment also requires health insurance carriers to respond to nonemergency prescription drug prior authorization requests within 24 hours. The bill reduces the time to respond to 24 hours for all nonemergency services prior authorization requests.

**LD 991      An Act To Promote Wellness and Prevention through Health Plans      ACCEPTED MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOODBURY	ONTP OTP	

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This bill provides authority to the Superintendent of Insurance, beginning October 1, 2013, to approve pilot projects allowing health insurance carriers to offer health plans that include premium credits and other incentives to encourage enrollees to participate in wellness and prevention programs.

**LD 1006    An Act To Clarify Transparency of Medical Provider Profiling  
Programs Used by Insurance Companies and Other Providers of Health  
Insurance**

**PUBLIC 383**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TREAT	OTP-AM	H-502

This bill requires that any cost metric used by insurance providers in a provider profiling program is covered by the existing transparency provisions in the health plan improvement laws. The bill also requires carriers to provide copies of the data methodology used in the metric to affected providers. The purpose of this bill is to require all insurance providers, including the state health plan and other government insurance programs, to be included in this transparency obligation.

### **Committee Amendment "A" (H-502)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment does the following.

1. It repeals and replaces the existing transparency provisions for provider profiling programs to provide that, at least 60 days prior to using or publicly disclosing the results of their provider profiling program, carriers must share with providers their individual provider profile and disclose to providers the methodology, criteria, data and analysis used to evaluate provider quality, performance and cost. It also permits providers to request a copy of the data associated with their profile within 30 days of the carrier's disclosure of the profile and affords providers the opportunity to review and dispute its provider profiling result.
2. It makes clear that any cost metric or cost data used by insurance carriers in a provider profiling program to rate or rank a provider is covered by the transparency provisions for provider profiling programs.
3. It makes clear that the provisions applying to provider profiling programs used by insurance carriers also apply to provider profiling programs developed by the State Employee Health Commission for the health insurance plan provided to state employees.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 383 repeals and replaces the existing transparency provisions for provider profiling programs to provide that, at least 60 days prior to using or publicly disclosing the results of their provider profiling program, carriers must share with providers their individual provider profile and disclose to providers the methodology, criteria, data and analysis used to evaluate provider quality, performance and cost. It permits providers to request a copy of the data associated with their profile within 30 days of the carrier's disclosure of the profile and affords providers the opportunity to review and dispute its provider profiling result. The law makes clear that any cost metric or cost data used by insurance carriers in a provider profiling program to rate or rank a provider is covered by the transparency provisions for provider profiling programs.

Public Law 2013, chapter 383 also clarifies that the provisions applying to provider profiling programs used by insurance carriers also apply to provider profiling programs developed by the State Employee Health Commission for the health insurance plan provided to state employees.

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**LD 1018 An Act Regarding Preneed Funeral Insurance**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BECK HASKELL	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill defines preneed insurance and permits its sale in the State. The bill requires the State Board of Funeral Service to amend the rules governing prearranged funeral agreements to provide the form, format and content of prearranged funeral agreements funded by preneed insurance. The bill permits a funeral director to sell preneed insurance to a consumer who has approached a funeral home to preplan a funeral and authorizes the payment of commissions in connection with the sale of that insurance. The bill requires disclosures with regard to the sale of preneed insurance that are consistent with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' life insurance disclosure model.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-163)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. The bill refers to insurance agents and brokers. The amendment changes these references to the term "insurance producer."

Committee Amendment "A" was not adopted.

**LD 1037 An Act To Provide Access to Affordable Health Care for All Maine Residents by 2020**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCGOWAN		

This bill, which is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208, proposes to provide access to a baseline of affordable health care for all Maine residents by 2020 through subsidies, expansion of government programs, reforms in the insurance laws or other measures.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1048 Resolve, To Study the Effect of Insufficient Automobile Insurance Coverage**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BERRY	ONTP	

This resolve directs the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance to study the current minimum automobile insurance coverage and determine the frequency and extent of claims by motorists with insufficient automobile insurance coverage and the resulting effects on victims, health care providers and the State. The bureau is also required to determine expected costs and effects of increasing minimum automobile insurance coverage, and invite input from the Maine Trial Lawyers Association, members of the insurance industry, health care providers and other interested parties. The bureau is directed to report to the Joint Standing Committee

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on Insurance and Financial Services, which is authorized to introduce a bill related to the report.

**LD 1049 An Act To Establish an Insurance Exchange**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CAMPBELL J CRAVEN	ONTP	

This bill establishes the Maine Health Benefit Marketplace as the State's health benefit exchange as authorized by the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148 as amended by the federal Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Public Law 111-152 to facilitate the purchase of health care coverage by individuals and small businesses. The Maine Health Benefit Marketplace is established as an independent executive agency governed by the Board of Directors of the Maine Health Benefit Marketplace, which has 9 voting members appointed by the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House and the Governor subject to confirmation by the Senate and 4 ex officio, nonvoting members representing the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Administrative and Financial Services and the Treasurer of State.

The bill requires coverage to be available through the state-based marketplace no later than January 1, 2015 and requires the Board of Directors of the Maine Health Benefit Marketplace to submit a declaration of intent to establish a state-based exchange under federal law to the federal Department of Health and Human Services no later than November 18, 2013. The bill also requires the board of directors to submit applications for any available federal grant funding to support planning and implementation of the state-based exchange as soon as practicable after Senate confirmation of the board members.

**LD 1067 An Act To Allow Certain Small Retail Businesses To Pass Credit and Debit Card Transaction Fees on to Consumers**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LOCKMAN THOMAS	ONTP	

This bill, which is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208, proposes to amend the Maine Consumer Credit Code - Truth in Lending laws to allow a small retail business to impose a surcharge on a purchase of a customer who elects to use a credit card or debit card that increases the regular price and that is not imposed on a purchase of a customer who pays by cash, check or similar means.

**LD 1078 Resolve, To Establish the Task Force on the Creation of a State of Maine Partnership Bank**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JOHNSON C BEAVERS	ONTP	

This resolve establishes the Task Force on the Creation of a State of Maine Partnership Bank to develop a proposal to establish the State of Maine Partnership Bank, which must be specifically designed to partner with financial institutions that are headquartered in Maine or are Maine-owned, or both, in order to provide access to capital for local small businesses and family farmers, to enable state public funds to be retained within the State and to facilitate the investment of increased state resources in high-quality, in-state investments, such as



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loans to local businesses, family farmers and homeowners. The task force is directed to submit a report that includes its findings and recommendations with any necessary implementing legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development and to the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Institutions.

In place of the resolve, a minority of the committee introduced H.P. 1130, Joint Order Establishing the Task Force to Study the Creation of a State of Maine Partnership Bank or Other Maine Financial Structures. H.P. 1130 was passed in the House, but was indefinitely postponed in the Senate.

**LD 1092 An Act To Increase the Use of Long-term Care Insurance**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CRAVEN GRAHAM		

This bill establishes an alternative long-term care benefit program for those persons that qualify for long-term benefits under the MaineCare program. The bill allows persons otherwise eligible for long-term care benefits under MaineCare that own life insurance policies with face amounts exceeding \$10,000 to enter into life settlement contracts in exchange for direct payments to a health care provider for long-term care benefits. The bill prohibits the Department of Health and Human Services from considering the value of the life settlement contract as an asset or resource in determining eligibility for MaineCare. The bill also establishes the conditions under which a life settlement contract may be used, requires certain disclosures to be made to MaineCare applicants and authorizes the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt rules after consultation with the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1094 An Act To Clarify Certification of Navigators and the Availability of Regional Health Plans**

**PUBLIC 388**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOODBURY	OTP-AM	S-185 S-314 WHITTEMORE

Part A of the bill establishes the Maine Health Exchange Advisory Board to advise the Federal Government, Governor and Legislature on the implementation and operation of a health exchange in this State pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The advisory board is composed of 17 members, including 5 members who are Legislators.

Part B of the bill suspends the authority of the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2016 or until such time as the transitional reinsurance program administered by the federal Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is no longer operational. This Part also directs the Board of Directors of the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association to amend the association's plan of operation and submit an amendment to the plan of operation on or before October 1, 2013 to the Superintendent of Insurance for approval. The amended plan of operation must include, but is not limited to, an explanation of how operations will be suspended, the actions necessary to pay reinsurance on qualified claims attributable to the time period prior to January 1, 2014 and the actions necessary to suspend assessments.

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Part C of the bill expands medical coverage under the MaineCare program to adults with family incomes up to 133% of the nonfarm income official poverty line and qualifies Maine to receive federal funding for 100% of the cost of coverage for members who enroll under the expansion. Adults eligible are those 21 years of age to 64 years of age beginning January 1, 2014 and those 19 years of age and 20 years of age beginning October 1, 2019.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-185)**

This amendment replaces the bill. Part A makes changes to the current provisions in law relating to navigators to make them consistent with recent federal regulations and clarifies that navigators are subject to the provisions prohibiting unfair trade practices.

Part B allows an insurance company authorized to do business in Vermont to offer individual health insurance for sale in this State. Current law limits that business to insurance companies authorized to do business in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island.

Part C establishes the Maine Health Exchange Advisory Council to advise the Governor, the Legislature, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance and the Federal Government on the implementation and operation of a health exchange in this State pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The advisory council is comprised of 20 members, including 5 members who are Legislators and 2 ex officio members representing the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance.

**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-314)**

This amendment amends Committee Amendment "A" to strike Part C of the amendment, which establishes the Maine Health Exchange Advisory Council. This amendment also changes the title of the legislation.

In place of Part C of Committee Amendment "A", the committee introduced H.P. 1136, Joint Order Establishing the Maine Health Exchange Advisory Committee. H.P. 1136 was passed in the House and Senate.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 388 makes changes to the current provisions in law relating to navigators to make them consistent with recent federal regulations and clarifies that navigators are subject to the provisions prohibiting unfair trade practices.

Public Law 2013, chapter 388 also allows an insurance company authorized to do business in Vermont to offer individual health insurance for sale in this State. Current law limits that business to insurance companies authorized to do business in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island.

**LD 1162 An Act To Ensure the Rights of Patients**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON T TREAT	ONTP	

This bill, which is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208, proposes to enact measures designed to ensure the rights of patients, which may include proposals to protect a patient's rights in the health insurance market; enhance accountability for hospitals and health care providers to improve quality and efficiency of care; increase the transparency of charges and expenses of hospitals and health care providers; and facilitate the purchase of health care coverage by individuals and small businesses by establishing a state health insurance exchange pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148.

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**LD 1167 An Act Regarding the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association**

**PUBLIC 273**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WHITTEMORE TREAT	OTP-AM	S-126

This bill suspends the authority of the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016 or until such time as the transitional reinsurance program administered by the federal Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is no longer operational. The bill also directs the Board of Directors of the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association to amend the association's plan of operation and submit the amendment on or before October 1, 2013 to the Superintendent of Insurance for approval. The amended plan of operation must include, but is not limited to, an explanation of how operations will be suspended, the actions necessary to pay reinsurance on qualified claims attributable to the time period prior to January 1, 2014 and the actions necessary to suspend assessments.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-126)**

This amendment replaces the bill and makes the following changes to the laws governing the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association.

1. It requires the Board of Directors of the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association to post its meeting schedule, meeting agenda and meeting minutes on its publicly accessible website. It requires the board to provide a mechanism on its website for the public to comment on matters related to the operations of the association and to establish a process for taking public comments at selected board meetings.
2. It adds one consumer member to the board and clarifies that that member may not be associated with or formerly associated with the medical profession, a hospital, an insurer or an insurance producer.
3. It suspends the authority of the association to collect assessments or provide reinsurance and reimbursement during the period in which the federal transitional reinsurance program is operating in this State and also requires that the association submit an amended plan of operation to the Superintendent of Insurance to address the operations of the association, the treatment of funds held by the association during the suspension period, the reactivation of the association and any necessary plan for distribution of any surplus funds not required for such purposes. It also requires the Superintendent of Insurance to allow a period of public comment on the amended plan of operation before it is approved by the superintendent.
4. It directs the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over insurance and financial services matters to evaluate the transitional reinsurance program operating in the State from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2016 under federal law. Before January 1, 2016, the committee is required to make a recommendation to the Legislature as to whether the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association should resume operations and whether statutory changes should be made. The committee may submit a bill based on its recommendations to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 273 makes the following changes to the laws governing the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association.

1. It requires the Board of Directors of the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association to post its meeting schedule, meeting agenda and meeting minutes on its publicly accessible website. It requires the board to provide a mechanism on its website for the public to comment on matters related to the operations of the association and to

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establish a process for taking public comments at selected board meetings.

2. It adds one consumer member to the board and clarifies that that member may not be associated with or formerly associated with the medical profession, a hospital, an insurer or an insurance producer.

3. It suspends the authority of the association to collect assessments or provide reinsurance and reimbursement during the period in which the federal transitional reinsurance program is operating in this State and also requires that the association submit an amended plan of operation to the Superintendent of Insurance to address the operations of the association, the treatment of funds held by the association during the suspension period, the reactivation of the association and any necessary plan for distribution of any surplus funds not required for such purposes. It also requires the Superintendent of Insurance to allow a period of public comment on the amended plan of operation before it is approved by the superintendent.

4. It directs the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over insurance and financial services matters to evaluate the transitional reinsurance program operating in the State from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2016 under federal law. Before January 1, 2016, the committee is required to make a recommendation to the Legislature as to whether the Maine Guaranteed Access Reinsurance Association should resume operations and whether statutory changes should be made. The committee may submit a bill based on its recommendations to the Second Regular Session of the 127th Legislature.

**LD 1176      An Act To Require Health Insurers To Use One Geographic Area as Permitted by the Federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRATWICK SANBORN	ONTP	

As permitted by the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, this bill requires health insurance carriers to use only one rating area based on geography within the State when establishing rates for individual and small group health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2014.

While LD 1176 was voted "Ought Not to Pass", a related substantive provision requiring health insurance carriers to use only one rating area based on geography as proposed in the bill was included in Committee Amendment "A" to LD 161, An Act to Restrict a Health Insurance Carrier to Rating on the Basis of One Geographic Area. See LD 161.

**LD 1192      An Act Prohibiting Property Insurance Discrimination Based on Breed of Dog      ACCEPTED MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CHENETTE	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill prohibits the refusal to issue or the cancellation or nonrenewal of a property insurance policy or an increase in the premium for the policy solely on the basis of a policyholder's ownership of a certain breed of dog. The restrictions do not apply if a dog has been designated as a dangerous dog in accordance with state law.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-243)**

This amendment is the minority report and clarifies a cross-reference in the bill.

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Committee Amendment "A" was not adopted.

**LD 1236 An Act To Amend the Maine Insurance Code To Ensure Fair and Reasonable Coverage and Reimbursement of Chiropractic Services**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ALFOND CAMPBELL R		

This bill requires that coverage and payment by health insurers and health maintenance organizations for services within the scope of practice of chiropractic doctors be at least equal to and consistent with coverage for services provided by allopathic or osteopathic doctors. It requires insurers to provide benefits covering and paying for care by chiropractic doctors at least equal to and consistent with the benefits paid to other health care providers treating similar conditions within the scope of practice of chiropractic doctors. Under the bill, these carriers may not classify services provided by chiropractic doctors as physical therapy or place these services into other categories that unreasonably limit coverage or payments for such services, or impose copayments, coinsurance requirements or deductibles that are more burdensome or limiting than those imposed with respect to services provided by allopathic or osteopathic doctors. The copayment for each service provided in the course of an office visit to a chiropractic doctor may not exceed \$5 or 10% of the covered payment for such services, whichever is greater. The total copayment for the combined services provided in the course of an office visit to a chiropractic doctor may not exceed \$30 or 10% of the combined covered payment for such services, whichever is greater.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1266 An Act To Provide the Securities Administrator with the Power To Investigate Potential Violations Involving the Sale of Business Opportunities**

**PUBLIC 224  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FITZPATRICK CUSHING	OTP-AM	H-265

This bill provides the Securities Administrator with the explicit authority to investigate potential violations involving the sale of business opportunities in this State. The Securities Administrator is charged with administering the law regarding the regulation of the sale of business opportunities. The authority provided in this bill is similar to the investigative authority conferred on the Securities Administrator to investigate violations of the Maine Commodity Code.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-265)**

This amendment clarifies language used in the bill and adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 224 provides the Securities Administrator with the explicit authority to investigate potential violations involving the sale of business opportunities in this State. The Securities Administrator is charged with administering the law regarding the regulation of the sale of business opportunities. The authority provided in the law is similar to the investigative authority conferred on the Securities Administrator to investigate violations of the Maine Commodity Code.

Public Law 2013, chapter 224 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 10, 2013.

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LD 1277 An Act To Streamline the Charitable Solicitations Act

PUBLIC 313

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CUSHING CAMPBELL J	OTP-AM	S-145 S-165 GRATWICK

This bill eliminates unnecessary regulation and document filing requirements while still retaining essential oversight of charitable organizations, professional solicitors and professional fund-raising counsel.

The bill raises the threshold for licensure of charitable organizations from \$10,000 in a calendar year to \$25,000 in a calendar year; eliminates licensing of commercial co-venturers; changes the document filing requirements for charitable organizations, professional solicitors and professional fund-raising counsel; revises the financial information required to be reported on an annual fund-raising activity report; and streamlines the licensing process by requiring licensees only to update changed information.

The bill requires that, as an ongoing condition of licensure, licensees must notify the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation of any change in application information within 10 days. Disclosure of court actions and disciplinary actions in other states has been included as a licensing requirement. The bill expands the description of reportable court actions.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-145)**

This amendment does the following.

1. It removes the definition of "independent public accountant," which is a term no longer used in the Charitable Solicitations Act.
2. It adds to the definition of "principal officer" the executive director or other employee responsible for the daily operation of a charitable organization.
3. It specifies that a charitable organization must notify the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation only of any "material" change in the organization's application for an initial license or license renewal.
4. It adds to the basis for the exemption from licensure organizations that solicit primarily within their membership that do not contract with a professional solicitor or professional fund-raising counsel.
5. It further increases the threshold for licensure of charitable organizations to \$35,000 in contributions in a calendar year or contributions from more than 35 persons. The bill proposes to increase the threshold to \$25,000 in contributions in a calendar year or contributions from more than 25 persons.
6. It specifies that it is a violation of the Charitable Solicitations Act if a person or entity does not disclose to a prospective donor at the time of solicitation the "physical" address of the charitable organization for which the solicitation is being conducted.

**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-165)**

This amendment includes a change inadvertently left out of Committee Amendment "A" providing an exemption from licensure for charitable organizations that do not contract with professional solicitors or professional fund-raising counsel.

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### Enacted Law Summary

Public Law 2013, chapter 313 makes the following changes to the Charitable Solicitations Act.

1. The law raises the threshold for licensure of charitable organizations so that only charitable organizations that raise more than \$35,000 in a calendar year or receive contributions from more than 35 persons must be licensed. Under current law, the threshold is contributions of more than \$10,000 or from more than 10 persons in a calendar year. The law also eliminates the licensing requirement for commercial co-venturers and provides an exemption from licensure for charitable organizations that solicit primarily within their membership and do not contract with professional solicitors or professional fund-raising counsel.
2. The law changes the document filing requirements for charitable organizations, professional solicitors and professional fund-raising counsel.
3. The law revises the financial information required to be reported on an annual fund-raising activity report.
4. The law streamlines the licensing process by requiring that, as an ongoing condition of licensure, licensees must notify the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation of any material change in the organization's application for an initial license or license renewal within 10 days. Licensees are also required to disclose court actions and disciplinary actions occurring in other states.
5. The law specifies that it is a violation of the Charitable Solicitations Act if a person or entity does not disclose to a prospective donor at the time of solicitation the "physical" address of the charitable organization for which the solicitation is being conducted.

#### LD 1345 An Act To Establish a Single-payor Health Care System To Be Effective in 2017

CARRIED OVER

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PRIEST GRATWICK		

Part A of the bill establishes the Maine Health Benefit Marketplace as the State's health benefit exchange as authorized by the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to facilitate the purchase of health care coverage by individuals and small businesses. The Maine Health Benefit Marketplace is established within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation. The bill requires coverage to be available through the State-based marketplace no later than January 1, 2015 and requires the Executive Director of the Maine Health Benefit Marketplace to submit a declaration of intent to establish a state-based exchange under federal law to the federal Department of Health and Human Services no later than November 18, 2013. The bill also requires the executive director to submit applications for any available federal grant funding to support planning and implementation of the exchange as soon as practicable.

Part B of the bill establishes the Maine Health Care Plan to provide security through high-quality, affordable health care for the people of the State. The plan will become effective and binding on the State upon the approval of a waiver from the United States Department of Health and Human Services. All residents and nonresidents who maintain significant contact with the State are eligible for covered health care services through the Maine Health Care Plan. The Maine Health Care Plan must conform to the minimum essential benefits required under federal law, but may require additional benefits within existing resources. Health care services under the Maine Health Care Plan are provided by participating providers in organized delivery systems and through the open plan, which is available to all providers. It establishes the Maine Health Care Agency to administer and oversee the Maine Health Care Plan, to act under the direction of the Maine Health Care Council and to administer and oversee the Maine Health Care Trust Fund. The Maine Health Care Council is the decision-making and directing council for the



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agency and is composed of 5 full-time appointees.

Part B also directs the Maine Health Care Agency to establish programs to ensure quality, affordability, efficiency of care and health care planning. The agency health care planning program includes the establishment of global budgets for health care expenditures for the State and for institutions and hospitals. The health care planning program also encompasses the certificate of need responsibilities of the agency pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 22, chapter 103-A. The bill contains a directive to the State Controller to advance \$600,000 to the Maine Health Care Trust Fund. This amount must be repaid by the Maine Health Care Agency by June 30, 2018.

Part C of the bill establishes the Maine Health Care Plan Transition Advisory Committee. Composed of 20 members, appointed by the Governor, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives and subject to confirmation by the Legislature, the committee is charged with holding public hearings, soliciting public comments and advising the Maine Health Care Agency on the transition from the current health care system to the Maine Health Care Plan. Members of the committee serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for their expenses. The committee is directed to report to the Governor and to the Legislature every 6 months beginning July 1, 2017. The committee completes its work when the Maine Health Care Plan becomes effective.

Part D of the bill establishes the salaries of the members of the Maine Health Care Council and the executive director of the Maine Health Care Agency.

Part E of the bill prohibits the sale on the commercial market of health insurance policies and contracts that duplicate the coverage provided by the Maine Health Care Plan. It allows the sale of health care policies and contracts that do not duplicate and are supplemental to the coverage of the Maine Health Care Plan.

Part F of the bill directs the Maine Health Care Agency to submit 2 financing plans to the Legislature by January 15, 2016. Part F also directs the Maine Health Care Agency to ensure employment retraining for administrative workers employed by insurers and providers who are displaced by the transition to the Maine Health Care Plan. It directs the Maine Health Care Agency to study the delivery and financing of long-term care services to plan members. Consultation is required with the Maine Health Care Plan Transition Advisory Committee, representatives of consumers and potential consumers of long-term care services and representatives of providers of long-term care services, employers, employees and the public. A report by the agency to the Legislature is due January 1, 2018.

Part G clarifies that throughout the Maine Revised Statutes, the words "payer" and "payor" have the same meaning.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1367    An Act To Require Health Insurance Carriers and the MaineCare Program To Cover the Cost of Transition Services To Bridge the Gap between High School and Independence**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRAHAM ALFOND		

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to require providers of behavioral and mental health services for children to establish or participate in so-called bridge teams for the purpose of ensuring continuity of care for students receiving behavioral and mental health services who graduate from high school and are likely to be in need of such services following graduation. The bill also requires MaineCare and private health insurance carriers to provide coverage for such services.





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**LD 1453 An Act To Increase the Transparency of Charges and Expenses of Hospitals That Receive State Funding**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GRATWICK CHAPMAN	ONTP	

Part A of this bill requires the Maine Health Data Organization to conduct an annual study of hospital financial data, to contract with an independent organization to analyze this data and to present the data and analysis in a format that is easily understood by the average consumer beginning in 2014. Part A also requires that the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance consider the analysis as part of the review process for health insurance rates.

Part B of the bill establishes the Commission to Study Transparency, Costs and Accountability of Health Care System Financing. The commission is comprised of 11 members appointed by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House to evaluate current data reported by hospitals and health care facilities relating to charges, revenue and other financial data. The commission will make recommendations about how to standardize financial reporting about health care costs and the quality of health care services to enhance transparency to the public. The commission must also make recommendations to reduce health care costs, including the development of global budgets, accountable care organizations and other cost containment mechanisms.

In place of the bill, a majority of the committee introduced H.P. 1123, Joint Order Establishing the Commission to Study Transparency, Costs and Accountability of Health Care System Financing. H.P. 1123 was passed in the House and Senate.

**LD 1466 An Act To Amend the Law Governing Provider Contracts with Insurance Companies**

**PUBLIC 399**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GOODALL	OTP-AM	S-284

This bill places certain requirements on contracts for preferred provider arrangements, which are contracts between a health insurance carrier and a health care provider in which the provider agrees to provide services to a health plan enrollee whose plan benefits include incentives for the enrollee to use the services of that provider. This bill imposes requirements and restrictions on these contracts, including:

1. Requiring a carrier who offers the contract to a health care provider to include in the contract a fee schedule and to provide any policies or procedures referred to in the contract to the provider, upon request by the provider;
2. Requiring the approval of a provider, in writing, of an amendment to the contract that materially and adversely affects provider reimbursement, including, but not limited to, increased documentation, preauthorization or utilization review requirements;
3. Prohibiting a carrier from subjecting enrollees under health plans included in the contract to preauthorization requirements if the enrollee's health plan does not require prior authorization as a condition of coverage for the applicable service; and
4. Requiring the provisions of law regarding these contracts to be included in each contract.

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### **Committee Amendment "A" (S-284)**

This amendment replaces the bill. The amendment places certain requirements on contracts for preferred provider arrangements, which are contracts between a health insurance carrier and a health care provider in which the provider agrees to provide services to a health plan enrollee whose plan benefits include incentives for the enrollee to use the services of that provider. The amendment imposes the following requirements and restrictions on these contracts.

1. It requires a carrier who offers the contract to a health care provider to include in the contract a fee schedule and to provide any policies or procedures referred to in the contract to the provider, upon request by the provider.
2. It requires the approval of a provider, in writing, of an amendment to the contract that materially differs from the terms of the provider's contract and of any provision that would permit the provider's existing contract to be superseded by a carrier's subsequent contract with a health plan payor.
3. It prohibits a carrier from requiring a provider, as a condition of participation in one of the carrier's preferred provider arrangements, to participate in any other carrier's network subsequently offered by the carrier or by a carrier's preferred provider arrangement.
4. It prohibits a carrier from subjecting providers under health plans included in the contract to preauthorization requirements if the enrollee's health plan does not require prior authorization as a condition of coverage.
5. It requires remittance advices that identify payment of a provider's claims under a carrier's contract to identify the administrator and payor of the provider's claims and include contact information.

The amendment provides that the requirements do not apply to dental or vision plans or to a carrier offering a health plan with respect to preferred provider arrangement contracts with a hospital or pharmacy.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 399 places certain requirements on contracts for preferred provider arrangements, which are contracts between a health insurance carrier and a health care provider in which the provider agrees to provide services to a health plan enrollee whose plan benefits include incentives for the enrollee to use the services of that provider. The law imposes the following requirements and restrictions on these contracts.

1. The law requires a carrier who offers the contract to a health care provider to include in the contract a fee schedule and to provide any policies or procedures referred to in the contract to the provider, upon request by the provider.
2. The law requires the approval of a provider, in writing, of an amendment to the contract that materially differs from the terms of the provider's contract and of any provision that would permit the provider's existing contract to be superseded by a carrier's subsequent contract with a health plan payor.
3. The law prohibits a carrier from requiring a provider, as a condition of participation in one of the carrier's preferred provider arrangements, to participate in any other carrier's network subsequently offered by the carrier or by a carrier's preferred provider arrangement.
4. The law prohibits a carrier from subjecting providers under health plans included in the contract to preauthorization requirements if the enrollee's health plan does not require prior authorization as a condition of coverage.
5. The law requires remittance advices that identify payment of a provider's claims under a carrier's contract to identify the administrator and payor of the provider's claims and include contact information.

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The law specifies that the requirements do not apply to dental or vision plans or to a carrier offering a health plan with respect to preferred provider arrangement contracts with a hospital or pharmacy.

**LD 1485 An Act Relating to Insurance Company Formation and Dissolution**

**PUBLIC 299**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FITZPATRICK	OTP-AM	H-282

The purpose of this bill is to address a number of matters relating to insurance company formations and dissolutions that have arisen in practice. The bill updates references to Maine domestic insurance company "certificates of organization" in the Maine Insurance Code to "articles of incorporation" for consistency with the Maine Business Corporation Act and current corporate parlance, leaving those references to certificates of organization where necessary for clarity with respect to existing insurers. The bill simplifies and reduces the number of filings that must be made by those either forming or dissolving Maine insurers. The bill clarifies the procedure for the Secretary of State, the Superintendent of Insurance and insurers to follow with respect to certificates of dissolution. The bill clarifies 2 statutes whose joint reading currently creates an ambiguity as to the minimum number of directors a newly formed Maine insurer must have.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-282)**

This amendment clarifies that Maine insurance corporations are subject to the requirements of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 13-C, the Maine Business Corporation Act.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 299 makes changes to the laws relating to insurance company formations and dissolutions.

1. The law updates references to Maine domestic insurance company "certificates of organization" in the Maine Insurance Code to "articles of incorporation" for consistency with the Maine Business Corporation Act and current corporate parlance, leaving those references to certificates of organization where necessary for clarity with respect to existing insurers.
2. The law simplifies and reduces the number of filings that must be made by those either forming or dissolving Maine insurers.
3. The law clarifies the procedure for the Secretary of State, the Superintendent of Insurance and insurers to follow with respect to certificates of dissolution.
4. The law clarifies 2 statutes whose joint reading currently creates an ambiguity as to the minimum number of directors a newly formed Maine insurer must have.
5. The law clarifies that Maine insurance corporations are subject to the requirements of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 13-C, The Maine Business Corporation Act.

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**LD 1495 An Act To Amend the Laws Pertaining to Employee Health Insurance**

**PUBLIC 276**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
POULIOT ALFOND	OTP	

This bill provides that state employee contributions to the cost of the individual health insurance premium and credits for healthy behaviors are based on actual rate of pay rather than projected rate of pay.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 276 provides that state employee contributions to the cost of the individual health insurance premium and credits for healthy behaviors are based on actual rate of pay rather than projected rate of pay.

**LD 1508 An Act To Create a Public State Bank**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
RUSSELL	ONTP	

This bill establishes the Maine Street Bank effective July 1, 2015 except that the bank may not make, purchase, guarantee, modify or hold loans until the bank has adequate capital of at least \$20,000,000. It specifies the purposes of the bank, establishes a board of directors and creates an advisory committee. It allows the bank to accept deposits of public funds, to make, purchase, guarantee, modify or hold certain loans and to serve as a custodian bank. It directs the Treasurer of State to deposit money into the bank. Excess income of the bank is deposited in the Maine Budget Stabilization Fund.

The bill provides for a quarterly examination by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Financial Institutions and an audit by the State Auditor every 2 years.

The bill allows counties and municipalities to establish public banks.

The bill directs the Treasurer of State, the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services and the Chief Executive Officer of the Finance Authority of Maine to consult with the Attorney General and report to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs by January 15, 2014 with recommendations to fully implement the bank, including recommendations regarding the merger of the Finance Authority of Maine into the bank. It authorizes the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs to report out a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

See related bill, LD 1078, Resolve, To Establish the Task Force on the Creation of a State of Maine Partnership Bank.

**LD 1512 An Act To Increase Funding for Start-ups**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ALFOND		

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The purpose of this bill is to promote and encourage the growth of Maine small businesses by facilitating the ability of a business to raise capital by selling small amounts of equity to a wider pool of small investors with fewer restrictions.

This bill exempts from existing restrictions regarding registration and advertising an issuer transaction or sale if the issuer transaction or sale meets certain conditions, including:

1. The issuer of the security must be a business entity formed and registered under Maine law;
2. The purchasers of the securities must be Maine residents;
3. The size of the offering may not exceed \$1,000,000 if the issuer has not undergone, and provided documentation from, a financial audit in the previous year;
4. The size of the offering may not exceed \$2,000,000 if the issuer has undergone, and provided documentation from, a financial audit in the previous year;
5. The issuer may not accept more than \$2,000 from any single purchaser unless the purchaser is an accredited investor under rules adopted by the federal Securities and Exchange Commission; and
6. The issuer requires from all purchasers a written acknowledgement that the purchaser assumes the risks associated with the investment.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 1519 An Act To Update the Maine Insurance Code To Maintain Conformance with Uniform National Standards**

**PUBLIC 238**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOODBURY GRATWICK	OTP-AM	S-184

This bill amends several provisions of the Maine Insurance Code to incorporate recent amendments to model laws adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, or NAIC, and to make related technical changes. These amendments maintain the State's compliance with uniform financial solvency standards and with the NAIC's accreditation requirements for state insurance regulators.

Part A amends the insurance holding company laws to conform them to the current version of the relevant NAIC Model Act. It reorganizes provisions governing examinations, confidentiality and proposed change-of-control transactions, incorporating additional disclosure requirements and specific provisions on divestitures of controlling interests. It establishes new reporting requirements, including an enterprise risk report requirement and an own risk and solvency assessment requirement, and amends the review process with respect to disclaimers of affiliation and makes the process applicable to proposed acquisitions of presumptive control. It allows the Superintendent of Insurance to participate in consolidated approval proceedings for multistate transactions and in supervisory colleges, which are temporary or permanent forums for communication and cooperation among the regulators supervising an international insurance holding company system. Part A becomes effective January 1, 2014.

Part B amends the reinsurance laws to conform them to the current version of the NAIC's Credit for Reinsurance Model Act. It makes financially strong reinsurers domiciled in qualifying jurisdictions outside the United States eligible to apply for approval as certified reinsurers, with lower collateral requirements commensurate with their

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financial strength and domiciliary oversight.

Part C amends Maine's Standard Valuation Law to conform it to the current version of the relevant NAIC Model Act, incorporating the new principle-based reserving requirements that will become effective when adopted by a supermajority of states.

Part D amends the risk-based capital laws to strengthen the NAIC trend test and to make it applicable to companies transacting all types of insurance.

Part E gives the superintendent rule-making authority to establish financial standards and corporate governance standards for captive insurance companies that are risk retention groups, to maintain compliance with NAIC accreditation requirements. It also makes various technical corrections to the laws governing risk retention groups for internal consistency and consistency with federal law.

### **Committee Amendment "A" (S-184)**

This amendment makes the following clarifying and technical changes to the bill.

In Part A, the amendment does the following.

1. It clarifies that the sharing of confidential information by the Superintendent of Insurance may not be done without prior notice to interested parties and that the further disclosure of that information is subject to the same requirements and conditions that apply if the superintendent discloses the information directly.
2. It clarifies that the superintendent has authority to order an insurer to produce records necessary to verify the accuracy of information required to be provided as part of an examination.
3. It moves a provision from one section to another.
4. It restores language deleted in the bill related to cost allocation arrangements.
5. It clarifies the provision relating to confidentiality of insurance company holding system information so that the superintendent may not share information with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners except in accordance with information-sharing agreements.
6. It adds an effective date of January 1, 2014 to Part A.

In Part B, the amendment makes several clarifying and grammatical changes.

In Part C, the amendment clarifies the application of the valuation manual and rules adopted by the superintendent.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 238 amends several provisions of the Maine Insurance Code to incorporate recent amendments to model laws adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, or NAIC, and to make related technical changes. These amendments maintain the State's compliance with uniform financial solvency standards and with the NAIC's accreditation requirements for state insurance regulators.

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Insurance to participate in consolidated approval proceedings for multistate transactions and in supervisory colleges, which are temporary or permanent forums for communication and cooperation among the regulators supervising an international insurance holding company system.

Part B amends the reinsurance laws to conform them to the current version of the NAIC's Credit for Reinsurance Model Act. It makes financially strong reinsurers domiciled in qualifying jurisdictions outside the United States eligible to apply for approval as certified reinsurers, with lower collateral requirements commensurate with their financial strength and domiciliary oversight.

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**LD 1525    An Act To Streamline Billing for Mental Health Services**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
EVES LACHOWICZ	ONTP	

This bill provides that insurers, health maintenance organizations and other administrators of health insurance claims may not require persons submitting those claims before January 1, 2014 to use revised billing codes under the 5th edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders released in May 2013.



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### Enacted

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### Not Enacted

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### Enacted

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LD 1512	An Act To Increase Funding for Start-ups	CARRIED OVER
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**State Employees, Office of Employee Health and Benefits**

**Enacted**

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**Not Enacted**

**LD 129 An Act To Give Retroactive Effect to the State Employee Health Commission's Reconsideration of Hospital Ratings**

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**ONTP**



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**LD 26 An Act To Authorize the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife  
To Change a Fishing Season Opening Date Statewide**

**PUBLIC 3**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW PATRICK	OTP	

This bill authorizes the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to change a fishing season opening date in inland waters of the State if weather conditions make that change necessary.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 3 authorizes the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to change a fishing season opening date in inland waters of the State if weather conditions make that change necessary.

**LD 41 An Act To Allow a Person 65 Years of Age or Older To Fish with Bait in  
any Inland Water**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUNPHY	ONTP	

This bill allows a person 65 years of age or older to use live bait, dead bait or chemically preserved natural or organic bait in inland waters restricted to artificial lures and to troll a fly in inland waters restricted to fly-fishing only.

**LD 42 Resolve, To Require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To  
Conduct a Study on the Use of Rubber Lures and Nondegradable  
Fishing Hooks and Lures**

**RESOLVE 18**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DAVIS	OTP-AM ONTP	H-47

This bill prohibits the use of artificial lures made of rubber when angling or fishing.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-47)**

This amendment requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to study issues related to the effects of ingestion of artificial fishing lures made of rubber and soft plastic and nondegradable hooks for fishing on fish and wildlife species and inland waters in the State. The department shall report the results of its study, including recommended legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 15, 2014.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 18 requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to study issues related to the effects of ingestion of artificial fishing lures made of rubber and soft plastic and nondegradable hooks for fishing on fish and wildlife species and inland waters in the State. The department shall report the results of its study, including recommended legislation, to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 15, 2014.



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**LD 43      An Act To Ban the Use of Nondegradable Hooks for Fishing      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DAVIS	ONTP	

This bill requires that a hook used for fishing must be made of a material that degrades or decomposes. See enacted law summary for LD 42.

**LD 63      Resolve, To Direct the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife      RESOLVE 16  
To Allow Veterans with Lower Limb Loss To Obtain "Any-deer"  
Hunting Permits**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUNPHY	OTP-AM	H-37

This resolve directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to amend the hunting and trapping rules to issue an "any-deer" hunting permit to a veteran who has lost all or part of one or more lower limbs for the wildlife management districts that have "any-deer" hunting permit allocations.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-37)**

This amendment directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to amend the hunting and trapping rules to issue an "any-deer" hunting permit for the wildlife management districts that have "any-deer" hunting permit allocations to a veteran who has lost all or part of one or more lower limbs and holds a valid resident disabled hunting license. It specifies that veterans eligible for the "any-deer" hunting permit allocations created through this resolve must hold a valid resident disabled veteran's hunting license.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 16 directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to amend the hunting and trapping rules to issue an "any-deer" hunting permit for the wildlife management districts that have "any-deer" hunting permit allocations to a veteran who has lost all or part of one or more lower limbs and holds a valid resident disabled hunting license. This resolve specifies that veterans eligible for the "any-deer" hunting permit allocations created through this resolve must hold a valid resident disabled veteran's hunting license.

**LD 79      An Act To Allow a Junior Hunter To Shoot Any Deer on Opening Day      ONTP  
of Hunting Season**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GIFFORD COLLINS	ONTP	

This bill allows a person who holds a junior hunting license to hunt a deer of any sex with a firearm or bow and arrow on the first day of the regular deer hunting season, in accordance with supervision guidelines and bag limit guidelines. See enacted law summary for LD 101.

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**LD 84 An Act To Expand Turkey Hunting**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAVIELLO	ONTP	

This bill expands turkey hunting opportunities by:

1. Eliminating the turkey permit requirements and allowing the hunting of turkey with a big game or small game hunting license;
2. Providing for electronic or telephonic registration of turkeys; and
3. Requiring the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish spring and fall hunting seasons in which hunting is allowed during all daylight hours. The fall season must include the month of October, and in both seasons a person may take up to 2 turkeys; in the spring season both must be male.

See also enacted law summary for LD 200.

**LD 86 Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Amend Its Process of Gathering Public Opinion on Rulemaking and Other Projects**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HASKELL SHAW	ONTP	

This resolve requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to improve its use of electronic communication methods in notifying the public of proposed rulemaking, public hearings and other proposals.

On behalf of the committee, the chairs sent a letter asking the department to report back actions undertaken to improve the use of electronic communication methods to inform the public of proposed rulemaking procedures.

**LD 89 An Act To Establish a Deadline for Snowmobile Registration**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
THOMAS TIMBERLAKE		

This bill requires that the fee for a resident snowmobile registration and for a nonresident seasonal snowmobile registration be paid on or before December 31st of the year prior to the year that the registration will be in effect and establishes a \$20 late fee.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

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**LD 96      An Act To Enhance the Deer Population by Increasing Control of Coyotes through Local Conservation Organizations      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAUCIER JACKSON T	ONTP	

This bill does the following.

1. It authorizes the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to adopt rules to establish a coyote bounty system;
2. It provides that coyote bounties be paid from federal funding received from the federal Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act; and
3. It sets a coyote trapping season from October 15th to February 15th.

See also bill summaries for LDs 199, 798, 970 and 1148.

**LD 97      An Act To Improve the Integrity of the State's Snowmobile Trail System      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JOHNSON P	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to develop funding levels that will support the viability of the State's snowmobile trail system to maximize its benefit to the winter economy of the State.

See enacted law summary for LD 1263.

**LD 98      Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Study Issues Related to Bear Hunting and Management      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOOD JACKSON T	ONTP	

This resolve requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to study issues related to bear hunting and the management of the bear population in the State and report the results of its study to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 15, 2014. The committee is authorized to report out a bill to implement its recommendations related to the report. See bill summary for LD 910 and enacted law summary for LD 1225.

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**LD 99      An Act To Allow Hunting for Deer with a Crossbow during the Expanded Archery Season**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOOD TUTTLE	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill allows a person to hunt with a crossbow during an expanded archery deer hunting season that is established by rule by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-67)**

This amendment, which is the minority report, incorporates a fiscal note.

**LD 100      An Act To Allow Municipalities To Stock Ponds**

**ACCEPTED  
MINORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOOD MASON G	OTP-AM ONTP	

This bill authorizes a municipality to stock a pond with fish when the pond is located entirely within the municipality's boundaries, the municipality purchases the fish to be stocked from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the municipality provides the public with boat access to the pond being stocked by the municipality. It also requires the municipality to pay any costs incurred by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife associated with the municipality's stocking activity.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-214)**

This amendment, which is the majority report, replaces the bill. It authorizes the Town of Greene to stock Allen Pond with fish as long as the municipality purchases the fish to be stocked from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife approves the fish being stocked and the municipality provides the public with watercraft access to Allen Pond that is easily identifiable and accessible. It also requires the town to pay any costs incurred by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife associated with the stocking of Allen Pond.

**LD 101      An Act To Allow a Junior Hunter To Take One Antlerless Deer without an Antlerless Deer Permit**

**PUBLIC 213**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GILBERT HASKELL	OTP-AM ONTP	H-263

This bill allows the holder of a valid junior hunting license to take one antlerless deer without an antlerless deer permit. In subsequent years, that person must obtain an antlerless deer permit to take an antlerless deer.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-263)**

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This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, provides priority consideration for antlerless deer permits to persons with a valid junior hunting license. Under current law, eligible landowners receive 25% of the permits and nonresident hunters receive 15% of the permits. Under this amendment, junior hunters receive at least 25% of the antlerless deer permits available in wildlife management districts with available antlerless deer permits.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 213 provides priority consideration for antlerless deer permits to persons with a valid junior hunting license. Prior law provided that eligible landowners receive 25% of the permits and nonresident hunters receive 15% of the permits. Under Public Law 2013, chapter 213, junior hunters receive at least 25% of the antlerless deer permits available in wildlife management districts with available antlerless deer permits.

**LD 128 An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council**

**PUBLIC 375**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HASKELL	OTP-AM OTP-AM	S-257

This bill abolishes the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-256)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee. The bill abolishes the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council. This amendment instead amends the laws governing the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council in order to realign the advisory council's formal duties to convening stakeholder groups and providing information and advice to the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to enhance fisheries and wildlife resource management in the State. With these revised duties, the advisory council no longer renders to the commissioner information and advice concerning the administration of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. The amendment retains the bill's provision removing the advisory council's authority upon appeal to restore hunting license privileges to petitioners whose privileges have been revoked or suspended and the restoration of which the commissioner has disallowed. Further, where rulemaking is concerned, the advisory council no longer provides advice and consent to the commissioner, which is a change made in the bill and retained by the amendment, but the amendment adds that as part of its revised duties the advisory committee makes recommendations based on public and stakeholder input to the commissioner regarding rules. The amendment allows the commissioner's designee to be a member of the advisory council. Finally, this amendment requires that the advisory council provide and present annually a written summary of its activities and accomplishments to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over inland fisheries and wildlife matters.

**Committee Amendment "B" (S-257)**

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. The bill abolishes the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council. This amendment instead amends the laws governing the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council in order to realign the advisory council's formal duties to convening stakeholder groups and providing information and advice to the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to enhance fisheries and wildlife resource management in the State. With these revised duties, the advisory council no longer renders to the commissioner information and advice concerning the administration of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. The amendment retains the bill's provision removing the advisory council's authority upon appeal to restore hunting license privileges to petitioners whose privileges have been revoked or suspended and the restoration of which the commissioner has disallowed. However, where rulemaking is concerned, this amendment preserves the advisory council's role of providing advice and consent to the commissioner. The amendment allows the commissioner's designee to be a member of the advisory council. Finally, this amendment requires that the advisory council provide and present annually a written summary of its activities and accomplishments to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over inland fisheries and wildlife matters.

***Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife***

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 375 amends the laws governing the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council in order to realign the advisory council's formal duties with its role of convening stakeholder groups and providing information and advice to the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to enhance fisheries and wildlife resource management in the State. With these revised duties, under Public Law 2013, chapter 375 the advisory council no longer renders to the commissioner information and advice concerning the administration of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Public Law 2013, chapter 375 removes the advisory council's authority upon appeal to restore hunting license privileges to petitioners whose privileges have been revoked or suspended and the restoration of which the commissioner has disallowed. Further, where rulemaking is concerned, the advisory council no longer provides advice and consent to the commissioner, but under Public Law 2013, chapter 375 as part of its revised duties the advisory committee makes recommendations based on public and stakeholder input to the commissioner regarding rules. Public Law 2013, chapter 375 allows the commissioner's designee to be a member of the advisory council. Finally, Public Law 2013, chapter 375 requires that the advisory council provide and present annually a written summary of its activities and accomplishments to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over inland fisheries and wildlife matters.

**LD 142      An Act To Add Using an All-terrain Vehicle to the List of Activities      PUBLIC 88**  
**Included in the Definition of "Guide" in the Inland Fisheries and**  
**Wildlife Laws**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BLACK THOMAS	OTP	

This bill amends the inland fisheries and wildlife laws to add using an all-terrain vehicle to the list of activities a guide accompanies or assists a person with for remuneration.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 88 amends the inland fisheries and wildlife laws to add using an all-terrain vehicle to the list of activities a guide accompanies or assists a person with for remuneration.

**LD 143      An Act To Allow a Hunter To Harvest a Wild Turkey of Either Sex      ONTP**  
**during the Month of October without an Extra Charge for the Permit**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BLACK	ONTP	

This bill requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish a wild turkey hunting season for the month of October to allow the harvest of wild turkeys of either sex. This season would be open to any licensed hunter and would not require any extra permit charge. The bill provides that the hunter must have any harvested turkey tagged. See enacted law summary for LD 200.

**LD 144      An Act To Remove the Requirement That a Person Training Dogs on      PUBLIC 247**  
**Sundays Possess a Valid Hunting License      EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KESCHL SAVIELLO	OTP-AM	H-357

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This bill removes the requirement that a person who trains dogs on wild birds or wild animals on Sundays possess a valid hunting license.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-357)**

This amendment adds a provision to the bill that makes a person ineligible to train dogs on wild birds and wild animals if that person has a suspended or revoked license issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 247 removes the requirement that a person who trains dogs on wild birds or wild animals on Sundays possess a valid hunting license and makes a person ineligible to train dogs on wild birds and wild animals if that person has a suspended or revoked license issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

Public Law 2013, chapter 247 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 13, 2013.

**LD 153      An Act To Establish a Comprehensive Hunting and Fishing License      CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KESCHL SAVIELLO		

This bill eliminates the super pack license and replaces it with a comprehensive license that includes all hunting and fishing licenses and permits and entries into the moose and antlerless deer lotteries. The comprehensive license differs from the super pack license in that:

1. The holder is not allowed to take more deer than is permitted for other hunting license holders;
2. The license does not include an antlerless deer permit for use in wildlife management districts in which 3,500 such permits are issued;
3. The resident fee for the license is \$35 instead of \$200;
4. The license is available to nonresidents and aliens for a fee of \$125; and
5. There is no license fee category for a person who holds 2 or more lifetime licenses.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

See also enacted law summary for LD 229.

**LD 163      An Act To Increase the Number of Rafting Passengers Allowed for Licensed Outfitters on Unallocated Rivers      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAVIELLO	ONTP	

This bill increases the number of rafting passengers allowed on unallocated rapidly flowing rivers for licensed outfitters from 92 passengers per day to 120 passengers per day.

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See enacted law summary for LD 281.

**LD 170      Resolve, To Allow the Use of Live Bait When Ice Fishing in Certain Waters of the State**

**DIED BETWEEN HOUSES**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON T THERIAULT	ONTP OTP	

This resolve directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to reverse recent rulemaking that is effective April 1, 2013. Those proposals prohibit the use of live bait for ice fishing in specific lakes. The resolve also requires the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to review the issue of live bait and authorizes the committee to submit legislation.

This resolve died between houses but see enacted law summary for LD 1191. Public Law 2013, chapter 358 allows the use of live bait on Millimagassett Lake, Millinocket Lake, Little Millinocket Lake and Webster Lake. It also directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to adopt rules for the use of live bait on waters that contain state heritage fish and have not been stocked since January 1, 1988.

**LD 172      An Act To Make Permanent the Reciprocal Agreement between Maine and Other States Regarding a Snowmobile Weekend**

**PUBLIC 386**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAVIELLO	OTP-AM	S-61

This bill makes permanent the reciprocal agreement between Maine and other states regarding a snowmobile weekend, which by current law is repealed on October 1, 2013.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-61)**

The amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 386 makes permanent the reciprocal agreement between Maine and other states regarding a snowmobile weekend, which by current law is repealed on October 1, 2013.

**LD 173      An Act To Remove the Rangeley Plantation Sanctuary from the List of Wildlife Sanctuaries**

**PUBLIC 138**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAVIELLO	OTP	

This bill removes Rangeley Plantation Sanctuary from the list of territories designated as wildlife sanctuaries subject to the authority of the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 138 removes Rangeley Plantation Sanctuary from the list of territories designated as wildlife sanctuaries subject to the authority of the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.



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**LD 177      An Act To Expand Moose Hunting Opportunities**

**PUBLIC 226**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAVIELLO	OTP-AM	S-167

This bill:

1. Increases the number of moose hunting permits issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife based on the latest moose population estimate. It provides that the increase is phased in over three years;
2. Changes the system for issuing moose permits from the current chance lottery system to a drawing in which persons who apply over a number of consecutive years may be guaranteed to receive a permit. It sets aside 15% of the permits for nonresidents and aliens. Ten percent of the permits must be auctioned to licensed guides and persons associated with sporting camps. The remainder of the permits are available to Maine residents; and
3. Provides that 25% of the revenues from the moose hunting application and permit system is deposited in the Moose Research and Management Fund and modifies the purposes of the fund to include addressing moose health issues and overbrowsing of land and promoting and marketing moose hunting.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-167)**

This amendment replaces the bill with a provision requiring the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to alter the moose permit drawing system so that a resident 70 years of age or older who has at least 30 points is guaranteed a permit. The amendment also creates an option for a person to refuse a moose hunting permit but still retain that person's points if the person has been awarded a permit in a wildlife management district that the commissioner has designated as a road safety management area.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 226 requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to alter the moose permit drawing system so that a resident 70 years of age or older who has at least 30 points is guaranteed a permit. This law also creates an option for a person to refuse a moose hunting permit but still retain that person's points if the person has been awarded a permit in a wildlife management district that the commissioner has designated as a road safety management area.

**LD 199      An Act To Allow Agents Designated by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Hunt Coyotes at Night during the Deer Hunting Season**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW DUTREMBLE	ONTP	

This bill allows the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to appoint and authorize agents to hunt coyotes at night during any open season on deer. The commissioner is required to develop policies to make the affected public and affected law enforcement officers aware of any night hunting operations, including policies that ensure each agent notifies affected landowners of the agent's night hunting activities.

See bill summaries for LDs 96, 798, 970 and 1148.

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LD 200 An Act To Expand Wild Turkey Hunting Opportunities

PUBLIC 387

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MARKS	OTP-AM	H-542 H-547 SHAW

This bill requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish a 6-day spring youth hunting season for wild turkey. The season must run from Monday to Saturday in April and coincide with a time when public schools are not in session.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-542)**

This amendment does the following.

1. It requires the establishment of a spring youth hunting day for wild turkey during which hunting is allowed beginning 30 minutes before sunrise and ending 30 minutes after sunset. The season must take place on the Saturday prior to the start of the spring wild turkey hunting season.
2. It reduces the tagging fee from \$5 to \$2 per wild turkey and directs registration agents to retain the \$2 tagging fees they collect.
3. It directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish a spring wild turkey hunting season during which a person may take up to two male wild turkeys and a fall wild turkey hunting season during which a person to take up to two wild turkeys of either sex. During the spring open season a person may take wild turkeys with a crossbow, bow and arrow or shotgun.
4. It provides that the hours for the spring wild turkey hunting season are from 30 minutes before sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset. This provision is repealed at the end of the spring 2016 season.

**House Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (H-547)**

This amendment changes the title of the bill. It delays the changes to the fall wild turkey hunt and to the fee for a wild turkey hunting permit until 2014. It allows a person to take two wild turkeys regardless of sex during the spring open season rather than two male turkeys as provided in Committee Amendment "A." It also changes a reference to the youth wild turkey hunting season to reflect the fact that it is limited to one day.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law, chapter 387 does the following.

1. It expands the spring youth hunting day for wild turkey to allow hunting beginning 30 minutes before sunrise and ending 30 minutes after sunset. It also requires that the season take place on the Saturday prior to the start of the spring wild turkey hunting season.
2. It reduces the tagging fee from \$5 to \$2 per wild turkey and directs registration agents to retain the \$2 tagging fees they collect.
3. It directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish a spring wild turkey hunting season during which a person may take up to two male wild turkeys and a fall wild turkey hunting season during which a person to take up to two wild turkeys of either sex beginning in 2014. During the spring open season a person may take wild turkeys with a crossbow, bow and arrow or shotgun.

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4. It provides that the hours for the spring wild turkey hunting season are from 30 minutes before sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset. This provision is repealed at the end of the spring 2016 season.

See also LD 1015.

**LD 201      An Act To Permit Tribal Members To Hunt Any Animal or Bird at Any Time for Sustenance      INDEF PP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAR	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill provides that, notwithstanding other laws governing inland fisheries and wildlife, an enrolled member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, the Penobscot Nation, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians or the Aroostook Band of Micmacs may hunt for, take and possess any wild animal or bird at any time for sustenance use. "Sustenance use" includes all noncommercial consumption or noncommercial use by the enrolled member or the enrolled member's immediate family or within the enrolled member's household.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-202)**

This amendment, which is the minority report, replaces the bill. The amendment applies the provisions of the bill only to enrolled members of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and limits the exercise of rights in the bill to public land in Aroostook County. The amendment also requires that the hunting activity be conducted with best efforts to comply with all fish and wildlife laws and rules, and it does not apply to a species identified as endangered under state or federal law. This amendment was not adopted.

**LD 202      An Act To Permit Tribal Members To Fish at Any Time for Sustenance      INDEF PP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BEAR	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill provides that, notwithstanding other laws governing inland fisheries and wildlife, an enrolled member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, the Penobscot Nation, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians or the Aroostook Band of Micmacs may fish for, take and possess any fish at any time for sustenance use. "Sustenance use" includes all noncommercial consumption or noncommercial use by the enrolled member or the enrolled member's immediate family or within the enrolled member's household.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-209)**

This amendment, which is the minority report, replaces the bill. The amendment applies the provisions of the bill only to enrolled members of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and limits the exercise of rights in the bill to public land in Aroostook County. The amendment also requires that the hunting activity be conducted with best efforts to comply with all fish and wildlife laws and rules, and it does not apply to a species identified as endangered under state or federal law. This amendment was not adopted.

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**LD 203      An Act To Require Kayakers on Open Salt Water To Use a Personal Flotation Device**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MALABY	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill requires a person to wear a Coast Guard approved Type III personal flotation device while kayaking on open salt water on the internal waters of the State.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-162)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, provides that the requirement in the bill that a kayaker wear a Coast Guard approved Type III personal flotation device applies on the State's coastal waters instead of on the State's internal waters as proposed in the bill.

**LD 229      An Act To Simplify and Encourage the Sale of Hunting and Fishing Licenses and Permits**

**PUBLIC 322  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW DUTREMBLE	OTP-AM	H-523

This bill:

1. Extends the lifetime license system for hunting and fishing licenses to all individuals regardless of age;
2. Allows antlerless deer permits to be transferred to any other hunter, regardless of age;
3. Requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to convene a task force composed of persons representing individuals and organizations that purchase licenses, permits and registrations issued by the department for the purpose of creating a plan to reduce the number of types of licenses, permits and registrations administered by the department. The department must submit the plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by December 1, 2013, together with draft legislation necessary to implement the recommendations. The committee is authorized to report out a bill related to the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature;
4. Requires the department to develop a plan for updating its online system for persons to purchase licenses and registrations, known as the Maine Online Sportsman's Electronic System. The department must submit its plan, together with a proposed budget for implementing the plan, to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by April 1, 2013. The committee may report out a bill related to the subject matter of the report to the First Regular Session of the 126th Legislature; and
5. Requires the department to develop a plan to simplify and streamline the eligibility requirements for and issuance of complimentary licenses, the laws governing license revocations and the laws governing hunting, including age restrictions, equipment restrictions and supervision requirements. The plan must extend the supervisory requirements for apprentice hunters to junior hunters and make supervisory requirements for hunting consistent with those that apply to trapping. The department is required to submit the plan to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by December 1, 2013, together with draft legislation necessary to

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implement the recommendations. The committee may report out a bill related to the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

### **Committee Amendment "A" (H-523)**

This amendment:

1. Removes the sections of the bill that extend the lifetime license system and establish a task force to reduce the number of licenses and permits;
2. Modifies the provisions of the bill allowing any person, regardless of age, to transfer an antlerless deer permit to another person to clarify that a resident may transfer a permit only to another resident and a nonresident may transfer a permit only to another nonresident;
3. Modifies the provisions of the bill that require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to develop a plan for updating its online system for persons to purchase licenses and registrations to require that the plan be based on a user survey, to require that it focus on the user interface and provide options for online renewal of trapping and guide licenses and to extend the date for completion of the plan to December 1, 2013;
4. Adds a provision directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to commission an actuarial review of expanding the lifetime license system for hunting and fishing licenses issued by the department. The department must submit a report with the findings, along with an explanation of the study methodology and any proposed modifications to the lifetime license system, to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife during the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature. The committee may report out a bill related to the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature; and
5. Adds an appropriations and allocations section.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2103, chapter 322:

1. Allows any resident, regardless of age, to transfer an antlerless deer permit only to another resident and any nonresident, regardless of age, to transfer an antlerless deer permit only to another nonresident;
2. Requires that the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife develop by December 1, 2013, a plan for updating its online system for persons to purchase licenses and registrations. It requires that the plan be based on a user survey, that it focus on the user interface and provide options for online renewal of trapping and guide licenses;
3. Directs the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to commission an actuarial study to expand the lifetime license system for hunting and fishing licenses issued by the department. The department must submit a report with the findings, along with an explanation of the study methodology and any proposed modifications to the lifetime license system, to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife during the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature. The committee may report out a bill related to the subject matter of the report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature; and
4. Adds an appropriations and allocations section for the actuarial study for expanding lifetime licenses.

Public Law 2103, chapter 322 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 21, 2013.

See also LD 153.

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**LD 254      Resolve, To Establish the Northern Maine Advisory Task Force on Deer      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON T AYOTTE	ONTP	

This resolve is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This resolve proposes to establish the Northern Maine Advisory Task Force on Deer. The task force would be charged with examining deer predation and ways to improve the deer population in northern Maine and with reporting its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, which may report out a bill on the subject matter of the task force's report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

**LD 264      An Act To Allow Crossbow Hunting during Muzzle-loading Season      DIED BETWEEN HOUSES**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAVIELLO CROCKETT	ONTP OTP	

This bill allows a licensed crossbow hunter to hunt deer during the muzzle-loading deer hunting season.

**LD 268      An Act To Improve Snowmobiling in the State      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PATRICK	ONTP	

This bill raises the annual registration fee for a snowmobile for a resident and nonresident by \$20 and the 3-consecutive-day nonresident registration fee by \$7 and dedicates \$27 from each registration to the Snowmobile Trail Fund, under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 1893. The bill also establishes a nonresident 7-consecutive-day registration for \$75.

See bill summary for LD 89 and enacted law summary for LD 1263.

**LD 280      Resolve, Concerning Rights-of-way over Eastern Road in Scarborough      RESOLVE 11**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HASKELL DAVIS	OTP	

This resolve ratifies certain conveyances made by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife that granted access to Eastern Road in the Town of Scarborough. These nonexclusive easements were determined by the department or the United States Department of the Interior, United States Fish and Wildlife Service not to significantly or unreasonably interfere with any use for which the Eastern Road was acquired.

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**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 11 ratifies certain conveyances made by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife that granted access to Eastern Road in the Town of Scarborough. These nonexclusive easements were determined by the department or the United States Department of the Interior, United States Fish and Wildlife Service not to significantly or unreasonably interfere with any use for which the Eastern Road was acquired.

**LD 281 An Act To Reform Maine's Whitewater Rafting Laws**

**PUBLIC 245**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUTREMBLE SHAW	OTP-AM	S-230

This bill clarifies that allocations may be transferred to any licensed outfitter, not only companies with allocations.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-230)**

This amendment changes the bill's title and strikes and replaces the bill but retains the bill's change clarifying that allocations may be transferred to any licensed outfitter. It provides that a commercial whitewater outfitter is allowed to carry up to 120 passengers on unallocated days. It also repeals all language related to affiliated outfitters and limits to three the number of licenses that an outfitter may possess on allocated rivers.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 245 allows allocations to be transferred to any licensed outfitter, not only companies with allocations. It provides that a commercial whitewater outfitter is allowed to carry up to 120 passengers on unallocated days. It also repeals all language related to affiliated outfitters and limits to three the number of licenses that an outfitter may possess on allocated rivers.

**LD 306 An Act To Exempt Members of the Penobscot Nation, the Passamaquoddy Tribe, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and the Aroostook Band of Micmacs from Special Training Requirements for Archery and Trapping**

**PUBLIC 185  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MITCHELL CAIN	OTP	

This bill exempts an enrolled member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, the Penobscot Nation, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians or the Aroostook Band of Micmacs from the archery, crossbow and trapping education requirements for obtaining an archery hunting license, a crossbow hunting license or a trapping license.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 185 exempts an enrolled member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe, the Penobscot Nation, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians or the Aroostook Band of Micmacs from the archery, crossbow and trapping education requirements for obtaining an archery hunting license, a crossbow hunting license or a trapping license.

Public Law 2013, chapter 185 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 31, 2013.

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**LD 307      An Act To Exempt Persons Who Serve in the Armed Forces from the Requirement To Take a Hunter Safety Course To Obtain a Hunting License**

**PUBLIC 139**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DAVIS THIBODEAU	OTP-AM ONTP	H-136

This bill exempts persons who have received training in the armed forces, including both persons on active duty and veterans, from having to take a hunter safety course to obtain a hunting license.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-136)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee and replaces the bill, exempts active-duty members of the United States Armed Forces who are stationed outside of the United States and home on leave from having to take a hunter safety course to obtain a hunting license.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 139 exempts active-duty members of the United States Armed Forces who are stationed outside of the United States and home on leave from having to take a hunter safety course to obtain a hunting license.

**LD 334      An Act To Allow Nonprofit Organizations To Operate Snowmobiles as Trail-grooming Equipment**

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<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LONG PLUMMER	OTP	

This bill amends the definition of "trail-grooming equipment" in the laws governing snowmobile trails and allows a snowmobile that is owned by a nonprofit organization and used to groom snowmobile trails to be registered as trail-grooming equipment.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 190 amends the definition of "trail-grooming equipment" in the laws governing snowmobile trails and allows a snowmobile that is owned by a nonprofit organization and used to groom snowmobile trails to be registered as trail-grooming equipment.

**LD 356      An Act To Allow a Person Who Is 60 Years of Age or Older To Use a Crossbow during the Open Seasons on Wild Birds and Animals**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE	ONTP OTP	

Current law allows a person 70 years of age or older to hunt a wild bird or wild animal with a crossbow during any open season; the provision is repealed January 1, 2015.



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This bill extends the provision to a person 60 years of age or older and removes the repeal.

**LD 391      An Act To Allow a Person To Possess Small Game in Excess of That Person's Possession Limit      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOOD JACKSON T	ONTP	

This bill allows a person to possess in that person's home a small game animal in excess of the possession limit if the small game animal is marked with the name and address of the person who legally possesses that animal and the date it was taken by that person.

**LD 423      An Act Regarding the Driving of Deer      ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ESPLING	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill allows a group of six or fewer persons to hunt together in a hunt for deer as long as they are accompanied by a registered Maine guide and as long as they do not use noisemaking devices.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-108)**

This amendment, which is the minority report, allows a group of four or fewer persons to hunt for and drive deer together as long as they do not use noisemaking devices. This amendment also specifically prohibits groups of five or more persons from hunting together or driving deer.

**LD 467      An Act To Increase Agent Fees for Registration of Certain Recreational Vehicles      ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
CASAVANT	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill increases the watercraft, snowmobile and ATV registration service fees that may be assessed, collected and retained by agents. The service fee for the renewal of a registration is increased from \$1 up to a maximum of \$3 and from \$2 up to a maximum of \$4 for the issuance of a new registration. Agents are also allowed to charge an extra \$1 for registrations or renewals issued for residents of other communities or unorganized territories.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-213)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, increases the watercraft, snowmobile and ATV registration service fees that may be assessed, collected and retained by agents by \$1 less than the bill increases the fees. The service fee for the renewal of a registration is increased from \$1 to a maximum of \$2 and for the issuance of a new registration is increased from \$2 to a maximum of \$3. The amendment provides that agents are also allowed to charge an extra \$2 for registrations or renewals issued for residents of other communities or unorganized

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territories. The bill allows for an extra \$1 charge.

**LD 477      Resolve, To Open Wild Turkey Hunting in Wildlife Management  
District 27 for the 2013 Spring Turkey Hunting Season**

**RESOLVE 10  
EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HICKMAN	OTP-AM	H-96

This bill establishes an open season for hunting wild turkeys for the month of October, during which there is no bag limit.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-96)**

This amendment strikes the bill and instead replaces it with a resolve establishing a spring turkey hunting season in Wildlife Management District 27 beginning April 29, 2013 and ending June 3, 2013.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Resolve 2013, chapter 10 establishes a spring turkey hunting season in Wildlife Management District 27 beginning April 29, 2013 and ending June 3, 2013.

Resolve 2013, chapter 10 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective April 25, 2013.

**LD 514      An Act To Allow Boards and Associations of Lakes and Ponds To Stock  
Fish**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MASON G CRAFTS	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill authorizes a lake association to stock a pond subject to the association's activities with fish when the association purchases the fish to be stocked from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the association provides the public with boat access to the pond being stocked by the association. It also requires the association to pay any costs incurred by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife associated with the association's stocking activity.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-210)**

This amendment adds a stipulation that a lake association's authority to stock with fish a pond subject to the association's activities also requires the association to receive prior approval of the fish being stocked from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. This amendment removes the requirement that the association provide the public with year-round boat access to the pond being stocked by the association.

**LD 540      An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Discharge of a Firearm or  
Crossbow near a Dwelling or Building**

**PUBLIC 215**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW SAVIELLO	OTP-AM	H-264

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This bill defines "projectile" to clarify what may be discharged within 100 yards of a building or residence when hunting.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-264)**

This amendment adds bow and arrow to the list of hunting implements that may not be discharged within 100 yards of a building or residential dwelling without the permission of the owner. The amendment also clarifies that the bill's prohibition on causing a projectile to pass within 100 yards of a building or residence is limited to projectiles discharged from a firearm, crossbow or bow and arrow.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 215 defines "projectile" to clarify what may be discharged within 100 yards of a building or residence when hunting and adds bow and arrow to the list of hunting implements that may not be discharged within 100 yards of a building or residential dwelling without the permission of the owner. It also clarifies that the bill's prohibition on causing a projectile to pass within 100 yards of a building or residence is limited to projectiles discharged from a firearm, crossbow or bow and arrow.

**LD 541      An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Complimentary Hunting,      PUBLIC 404**  
**Trapping and Fishing Licenses for Disabled Veterans**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WILSON PLUMMER	OTP-AM	H-74

This bill changes the threshold of disability at which a resident disabled veteran receives complimentary hunting, fishing and trapping licenses from 100%, or 70% if the veteran served in a combat zone during an armed conflict, to 50% or more for all resident disabled veterans.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-74)**

This amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 404 changes the threshold of disability at which a resident disabled veteran receives complimentary hunting, fishing and trapping licenses from 100%, or 70% if the veteran served in a combat zone during an armed conflict, to 50% or more for all resident disabled veterans.

**LD 542      An Act To Remove the Limit on the Retention of Live Smelts      PUBLIC 73**  
**EMERGENCY**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KESCHL SAVIELLO	OTP ONTP	

This bill removes the limit of 5 dozen live smelts from a person's daily bag limit for smelt fishing.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 73 removes the limit of 5 dozen live smelts from a person's daily bag limit for smelt fishing.

Public Law 2013, chapter 73 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 7, 2013.

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**LD 543 An Act To Create Reciprocity of All-terrain Vehicle Registration with the State of New Hampshire**

**LEAVE TO WITHDRAW**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BRIGGS PATRICK		

This bill allows an ATV registered in New Hampshire to be operated in Maine without being registered in Maine as long as New Hampshire provides reciprocity for ATVs registered in Maine.

**LD 544 An Act To Give Certain Landowners First Priority for Antlerless Deer Permits**

**ACCEPTED MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BRIGGS JACKSON T	ONTP OTP	

This bill amends the current antlerless deer hunting permit system to require that all antlerless deer permits available in a wildlife management district be issued to landowners who own at least 25 contiguous acres of land open to hunting by the public and have applied for the permit. It also provides that if the number of available antlerless deer permits in a wildlife management district exceeds the number of eligible landowner applications, the remaining permits must be issued to junior hunters who have applied for an antlerless deer permit in that district.

**LD 545 An Act To Enhance the Protection of Native Fish Species**

**ACCEPTED MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JONES	ONTP OTP	

This bill:

1. Changes the class of the crimes of illegal stocking of fish and illegal use of live bait from Class E to Class C;
2. Provides that, if a person is convicted of introducing, importing or transporting live fish without a permit, the Commissioner of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is required to revoke all fishing and hunting licenses held by that person, and that person is ineligible to obtain a fishing or hunting license for a period of at least 10 years from the date of conviction; and
3. Provides that possession or transportation of live fish without authorization gives rise to a permissible inference that the person possessing or transporting the live fish does so for the purpose of illegally introducing the fish into inland waters.

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**LD 599      An Act To Review Possible Expansion of Dip Net Fishing in Northern Maine      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
THERIAULT JACKSON T	ONTP	

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to consider the expansion of dip net smelt fishing in northern Maine in specific streams in Aroostook County that are now closed.

**LD 600      An Act To Include Archery Hunting Licenses among the Complimentary Licenses Issued to a Member of a Federally Recognized Indian Tribe, Nation or Band      PUBLIC 136**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MITCHELL CAIN	OTP	

This bill adds an archery hunting license to the list of complimentary licenses issued to members of federally recognized Indian nations, bands and tribes. It also exempts members of federally recognized Indian nations, bands and tribes from required trapper evaluation programs and archery hunter education courses.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 136 adds an archery hunting license to the list of complimentary licenses issued to members of federally recognized Indian nations, bands and tribes. It also exempts members of federally recognized Indian nations, bands and tribes from required trapper evaluation programs and archery hunter education courses.

**LD 601      An Act To Require That Certain Changes in Conservation Law Not Be Made by Rule      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW SAVIELLO	ONTP	

This bill provides that the Commissioner of Inland and Fisheries and Wildlife may not adopt or amend a rule that affects or changes the public use of a fishery or body of water.

**LD 617      An Act To Protect the State's Native and Wild Brook Trout and Discourage Illegal Fish Introduction      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCCABE CAIN	ONTP	

This bill does the following.

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1. It requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to include in the listing of state heritage fish waters those waters that contain eastern brook trout and that have not been stocked since January 1, 1988. It also requires the commissioner to ensure these waters are protected to the same extent as state heritage fish waters composed of lakes and ponds that contain eastern brook trout that have never been stocked.
  
2. It establishes additional protections for lakes and ponds containing eastern brook trout that do not contain any nonnative species, including waters not designated as state heritage fish waters. The commissioner is required to annually inventory these waters and identify any nonnative species introduced into the waters. The commissioner is also required to take any actions within the commissioner's authority to ensure that nonnative species are not introduced into these waters and that any nonnative species that is introduced is removed. It prohibits a person from using live fish as bait or possessing live fish to be used as bait in any of these waters.
  
3. It eliminates all closed seasons and number, amount, weight and size limits for the taking or possession of any species of fish identified as having been illegally introduced. The commissioner may not actively promote fishing for these fish, but the commissioner is required to encourage persons who do catch these fish to kill them.

See enacted law summary for LD 1191.

**LD 618      An Act To Eliminate Restrictions on Affiliated Outfitters in Laws      ONTP**  
**Governing Whitewater Rafting**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCCABE SAVIELLO	ONTP	

This bill eliminates those sections of law that govern the licensure of affiliated groups and affiliated outfitters as commercial whitewater outfitters, removing restrictions on their participation in the industry.

See enacted law summary for LD 281.

**LD 652      Resolve, To Establish the Advisory Committee To Update Rules      INDEF PP**  
**Regulating Commercial Whitewater Rafting**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCCABE		

This bill was acted upon without reference to committee.

This resolve establishes the Advisory Committee To Update Rules Regulating Commercial Whitewater Rafting.

**LD 679      Resolve, Regarding the Management of Maine's Brook Trout and      ACCEPTED**  
**Landlocked Salmon Resources      MAJORITY**  
**(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HUBBELL LANGLEY	ONTP OTP	

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This resolve directs the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to examine certain issues with respect to the current status of brook trout and landlocked salmon in the State and recommend policies and develop a statewide plan to address these issues. The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is required to report by January 15, 2014 to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife with suggested legislation, and the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is authorized to submit a bill to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

See enacted law summary for LD 1191.

**LD 705 An Act To Amend the Junior Hunting License Requirements**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MAZUREK	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill allows a junior hunting license to be issued to a person who attains 10 years of age in the calendar year of the hunting season.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-82)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, amends the age limitation for obtaining a hunting license to allow a hunting license to be issued to a person who attains 10 years of age in the calendar year of the hunting season.

**LD 717 An Act To Provide Free Fishing Licenses to Certain Children in the Custody of the Department of Health and Human Services**

**PUBLIC 93**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCCABE TUTTLE	OTP	

This bill allows a complimentary fishing license to be issued to any resident 16 or 17 years of age who is in the custody of the Department of Health and Human Services.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 93 allows a complimentary fishing license to be issued to any resident 16 or 17 years of age who is in the custody of the Department of Health and Human Services.

**LD 730 An Act To Protect Maine's Loons by Banning Lead Sinkers and Jigs**

**PUBLIC 372**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HASKELL SHAW	OTP-AM ONTP	S-231 S-274 DUTREMBLE

This bill makes it illegal to sell or use lead sinkers and jigs weighing one ounce or less and measuring 2 1/2 inches or less in length.

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**Committee Amendment "A" (S-231)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, prohibits the sale, offer for sale and use of lead sinkers weighing one ounce or less or measuring 2 1/2 inches or less in length and prohibits the sale, offer for sale and use of unpainted lead jigs weighing one ounce or less or measuring 2 1/2 inches or less in length. Beginning September 1, 2016, the sale or offer for sale of all lead jigs weighing one ounce or less or measuring 2 1/2 inches or less in length is prohibited. Beginning September 1, 2017, the amendment prohibits the use of all lead jigs weighing one ounce or less or measuring 2 1/2 inches or less in length.

**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-274)**

This amendment delays the prohibition of the sale of bare lead jigs to September 1, 2016 and delays the prohibition of the use of bare lead jigs to September 1, 2017.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 372 prohibits the sale, offer for sale and use of lead sinkers weighing one ounce or less or measuring 2 1/2 inches or less in length and prohibits the sale, offer for sale and use of unpainted lead jigs weighing one ounce or less or measuring 2 1/2 inches or less in length. Beginning September 1, 2016, the sale or offer for sale of all lead jigs weighing one ounce or less or measuring 2 1/2 inches or less in length is prohibited. Beginning September 1, 2017, the use of all lead jigs weighing one ounce or less or measuring 2 1/2 inches or less in length is prohibited.

**LD 736      An Act To Establish the Review Board of Appeals To Review the Denial of Hunting and Fishing Licenses      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON T WOOD	ONTP	

This bill establishes the Review Board of Appeals within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to review hunting and fishing license denials by the department.

**LD 738      An Act To Promote the Northern Maine Economy and Support Maine's Sporting Camp Tradition      HELD BY GOVERNOR**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
JACKSON T WOOD	OTP-AM ONTP	S-305 S-340 HILL

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to provide economic support for certain sporting camps by directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to offer for sale a certain number of moose permits for the camps' use. In order to qualify, a sporting camp must be a facility licensed by the Department of Health and Human Services that offers American plan fully guided taxable moose hunting packages. The moose permits would be transferable and valid for one-time use during the current season or the next season on an American plan fully guided hunt within the eligible camp's zone or up to 2 contiguous zones.

The following criteria must be considered when the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife offers the moose



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permits for sale:

1. The total number of moose permits must be greater than the number issued in calendar year 2012;
2. All hunters must hold valid Maine hunting licenses;
3. The fee per permit is \$1,500;
4. The number of permits offered for sale to the sporting camps must be capped at 250; and
5. The revenue received from the sale of the permits must be used to offset any loss from the moose permit auction by youth conservation education programs.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-305)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, replaces the bill and creates a new moose hunting permit lottery system for hunting outfitters, who may sell or transfer the permits as part of an eating, lodging and hunting package. The permits made available for this lottery, if any, will come from 10% of the number of permits that exceed 3,140, which is the total number of moose hunting permits issued in 2010. Individuals hunting with permits issued under this system must hunt with a licensed Maine guide. Proceeds of the new lottery system will be allocated to youth conservation education programs under certain conditions and any remainder will be allocated to the Moose Research and Management Fund.

**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-340)**

This amendment lapses \$10,374 for each of fiscal years 2013-14 and 2014-15 from the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Carrying Balances - General Fund account to the General Fund unappropriated surplus to offset the loss in revenue from changes made to moose permit fees.

**LD 757      An Act To Amend the Hunting Laws as They Pertain to the Training of      PUBLIC 286**  
**Dogs**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHORT DUTREMBLE	OTP-AM	H-358

This bill allows a person to train dogs on pen-raised birds at any time without a hunting license.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-358)**

This amendment prohibits a person from training dogs on wild birds and wild animals if that person has a suspended or revoked license issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 286 allows a person to train dogs on pen-raised birds at any time without a hunting license and prohibits a person from training dogs on wild birds and wild animals if that person has a suspended or revoked license issued by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

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**LD 758      An Act To Protect Boats, Moorings and Docks in the Inland Waters of the State      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HICKMAN	ONTP	

This bill closes to fishing inland waters within 250 feet of shorelines containing docks, boats, moorings or swimming floats and requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to adopt rules to implement this closure.

**LD 775      An Act To Require a Nonresident To Hire a Maine Guide To Hunt Sea Ducks      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ESPLING	ONTP	

This bill requires a nonresident sea duck hunter to hire and be accompanied by a licensed Maine guide.

**LD 798      An Act To Permit Night Hunting of Coyotes on Sunday      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ESPLING	ONTP	

This bill permits a person to hunt coyotes at night on Sundays during the open season on coyote.

See also bill summaries for LDs 96, 199, 970 and 1148.

**LD 799      Resolve, To Allow Use of Live Bait for Fishing in the Allagash Wilderness Waterway and Fish River Waterway      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BROOKS TUTTLE	ONTP	

This resolve directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to amend department rules to allow the use of live bait on the Allagash Wilderness Waterway and the Fish River Waterway.

**LD 800      An Act To Expand Migratory Waterfowl Hunting Opportunities      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PARRY DUTREMBLE	ONTP	

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This bill allows Sunday migratory waterfowl hunting during the second duck hunting season established by rule by directing the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to amend the rule for that duck hunting season to allow for Sunday hunting.

**LD 857      An Act To Examine Fees Charged by Municipalities Concerning      PUBLIC 199**  
**Outdoor-related Activities**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ESPLING DUTREMBLE	OTP-AM	H-224

This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

This bill proposes to examine fees charged by municipalities concerning outdoor-related activities, including but not limited to hunting. This examination must include a review of fees charged by municipalities in connection with archery activities and a review of the laws governing these fees and activities.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-224)**

This amendment clarifies that municipalities may not adopt or enforce any ordinance, law or rule that regulates or charges a fee for hunting, trapping or fishing, or that regulates or charges a fee for the possession or use of any hunting equipment, besides firearms, that is expressly permitted under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, Part 13.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 199 clarifies that municipalities may not adopt or enforce any ordinance, law or rule that regulates or charges a fee for hunting, trapping or fishing, or that regulates or charges a fee for the possession or use of any hunting equipment, besides firearms, that is expressly permitted under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, Part 13.

**LD 879      An Act To Increase State Wildlife Revenues and Grow the Hunting and      PUBLIC 145**  
**Fishing Industries**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE	OTP-AM	S-92

This bill:

1. Limits the taking of bucks to those with 3 or more antler points on one side for those hunters without antlerless deer permits;
2. Creates a lifetime combination license for a nonresident 65 years of age or older for a \$500 fee;
3. Allows a 100% disabled veteran who is a resident of New Hampshire or Vermont to obtain free hunting, trapping and fishing licenses if that veteran's state has a reciprocal agreement with Maine;
4. Directs the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to define "deer wintering area" and to develop tax incentives for landowners to take steps to protect deer wintering areas; and
5. Directs the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to work with land trusts to develop ways to protect deer wintering areas by conservation easement.

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**Committee Amendment "A" (S-92)**

This amendment strikes everything in the bill except for the provision that allows a 100% disabled veteran who is a resident of New Hampshire or Vermont to obtain free hunting, trapping and fishing licenses if that veteran's state has a reciprocal agreement with Maine.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 145 allows a 100% disabled veteran who is a resident of New Hampshire or Vermont to obtain free hunting, trapping and fishing licenses if that veteran's state has a reciprocal agreement with Maine.

**LD 895      Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To      ONTP**  
**Amend Its Rules Regarding Required Setback Distances for Beaver**  
**Traps**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WILLETTE	ONTP	

This resolve requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to amend its rules pertaining to the required setback distances from active beaver dams and beaver houses for the setting, placing and tending of traps in order to expand the number of wildlife management districts for which no setback distance is required.

**LD 896      An Act To Allow Fox Hunting at Night      ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WILLETTE JACKSON T	ONTP	

This bill establishes an open season for hunting fox at night in all counties of the State.

**LD 910      Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To      ONTP**  
**Study and Make Recommendations Regarding the Bear Hunting Season**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW	ONTP	

This resolve requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to study issues that exist during the overlapping of the bear hunting season when bait is allowed to be used and the bear hunting season when dogs are allowed to be used and report the results of its study to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 15, 2014. The committee is authorized to report out a bill to implement its recommendations related to the report.

See bill summary for LD 98 and enacted law summary for LD 1225.

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**LD 911      An Act To Increase Revenue for the ATV Recreational Management Fund**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BRIGGS PATRICK	OTP-AM ONTP	H-290

This bill increases all-terrain vehicle registration fees by \$5, which increase must be deposited in the ATV Recreational Management Fund.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-290)**

This amendment is the majority report of the committee and incorporates a fiscal note.

**LD 930      An Act To Subject a Motorboat with a Certificate of Number from Another Jurisdiction to the Annual Registration Fee**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
NADEAU C COLLINS	ONTP	

This bill subjects a motorboat with a certificate of number issued by another jurisdiction that is in the State for an excess of 30 consecutive days to the annual fee paid for motorboats with a certificate of number issued by this State.

**LD 931      An Act To Prevent Fish Kills and To Allow for Recreational Use of Sebago Lake**

**CARRIED OVER**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW PLUMMER		

This bill establishes water flow requirements for a dam and bypass area that controls the water level of Sebago Lake and the flows entering the Presumpscot River to prevent fish kills and to allow for recreational use of public access to Sebago Lake.

This bill was carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

**LD 932      An Act To Promote Fishing by Youth**

**PUBLIC 380**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
PEASE THIBODEAU	OTP-AM	H-117 S-345 HILL

This bill eliminates the requirement for a general nonresident junior fishing license for youths 12 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, so that all youths under the age of 16 do not need a fishing license, whether they are a resident or not.

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**Committee Amendment "A" (H-117)**

This amendment incorporates a fiscal note.

**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-345)**

This amendment delays the effective date of the provisions of the bill until January 1, 2015.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 380 eliminates the requirement for a general nonresident junior fishing license for youths 12 years of age or older and under 16 years of age, so that, all youths under the age of 16 do not need a fishing license, whether they are a resident or not. The provisions of this bill are effective January 1, 2015.

**LD 970 An Act To Eliminate Funding To Reduce Deer Predation**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DICKERSON	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill eliminates funding to control deer predation.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-362)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, eliminates funding to control deer predation. The amendment directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to redirect all money provided to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for predator control, including funds contained in the Maine Deer Management Fund, to deer habitat enhancement.

**LD 1005 An Act To Assist Hunters Transporting Animals for Registration**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BLACK HASKELL	ONTP	

This bill changes the requirements for the condition of a big game animal before being presented for registration. It allows for transporting dismembered carcasses if certain criteria are met.

**LD 1015 An Act To Expand Crossbow Hunting**

**PUBLIC 236**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WOOD	OTP-AM	H-274

This bill allows a person to hunt any wild bird or animal with a crossbow during any open season on that bird or animal and removes the restriction against using a crossbow within 100 feet of a dwelling.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-274)**

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This amendment allows a person to hunt wild turkey with a crossbow during the spring open wild turkey hunting season established by rule. A person with a moose permit and that person's authorized subpermittee are both allowed to hunt moose with a crossbow during the open season on moose as established by rule and in accordance with the provisions for the lawful hunting of moose. Also, this amendment restores the restriction against using a crossbow within 100 feet of a dwelling, which is removed in the bill.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 236 allows a person to hunt any wild bird or animal with a crossbow during any open season on that bird or animal. This law allows a person to hunt bear with a crossbow during the open season on bear as provided in other law. It further allows a person to hunt wild turkey with a crossbow during the spring open wild turkey hunting season established by rule. A person with a moose permit and that person's authorized subpermittee are both allowed to hunt moose with a crossbow during the open season on moose as established by rule and in accordance with the provisions for the lawful hunting of moose. Finally, Public Law 2013, chapter 236 maintains the restriction against using a crossbow within 100 feet of a dwelling.

**LD 1016 An Act Regarding the Buying and Selling of Animal Parts**

**PUBLIC 333**

Sponsor(s)

DAVIS

Committee Report

OTP-AM

Amendments Adopted

H-359

This bill adds language to the law on buying and selling wild animals and wild birds that prohibits the purchase, sale, offer for sale or barter of any physical part of a wild animal or wild bird, and it adds certain parts that may be purchased or sold, such as naturally shed deer or moose antlers and finished wildlife products, including but not limited to tanned animal hides and taxidermy mounts.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-359)**

This amendment does the following.

1. It clarifies that wild animal parts permitted to be bought and sold under the bill may not be attached to other parts of the animal.
2. It provides that a hide dealer's license is required to commercially buy, sell, barter or trade certain parts of animals or to buy, sell, barter or trade for any purpose, commercial or noncommercial, bear gall bladders, raw unfinished moose antlers and raw unfinished deer antlers.
3. It adds a confidentiality provision relating to reporting requirements for hide dealers to protect proprietary information.
4. It changes the class of crime for engaging in certain activities without a hide dealer's license from a Class E crime to a Class D crime.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 333 does the following.

1. It adds language to the law on buying and selling wild animals and wild birds that prohibits the purchase, sale, offer for sale or barter of any physical part of a wild animal or wild bird, and it adds certain parts that may be purchased or sold, such as naturally shed deer or moose antlers and finished wildlife products, including but not limited to tanned animal hides and taxidermy mounts.





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**LD 1190 An Act To Require the Secretary of State To Issue Certificates of Title for All-terrain Vehicles, Snowmobiles and Watercraft**

ONTP

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WALLACE GRATWICK	ONTP	

This bill creates a titling system to be administered by the Secretary of State to title certain all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles and watercraft beginning January 1, 2015. The registration system currently administered by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife remains separate and in effect. The bill also authorizes the Secretary of State to establish a fee to cover the administrative costs of titling ATVs, snowmobiles and watercraft.

**LD 1191 An Act To Strengthen the Fishing Laws**

**PUBLIC 358**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ESPLING DUTREMBLE	OTP-AM	H-433

This bill makes changes to strengthen the fishing laws as follows.

1. It separates provisions governing bass fishing tournaments and provisions governing fishing derby permits.
2. It gives the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife the authority to place conditions and restrictions on derby permits and bass tournament permits. The bill also makes the violation of any condition or restriction placed on a derby permit or a bass tournament permit a civil violation, and it authorizes the commissioner to revoke a permit, refuse to issue a permit or refuse to allow the participation of any person in cases involving a violation of a condition or restriction placed on a derby permit or a bass tournament permit.
3. It clarifies that any fish caught for a fishing derby must be killed immediately and becomes part of the participant's daily bag limit.
4. It revokes the Commissioner of Marine Resources' authority over fishways in dams and other artificial obstructions in inland waters but retains the commissioner's authority over fishways in dams and other artificial obstructions in tidal waters under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 6121.
5. It authorizes the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to stock native fish species in Big Wadleigh Pond in Piscataquis County.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-433)**

This amendment allows the use of live bait on Millimagassett Lake, Millinocket Lake, Little Millinocket Lake and Webster Lake. This amendment also directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to adopt rules for the use of live bait on waters that contain state heritage fish and have not been stocked since January 1, 1988.

This amendment enhances penalties for noncompliance with the requirements for the importation, transportation and possession of live freshwater fish and freshwater fish gametes, not including bait fish, by creating a 5-year revocation of licenses issued under the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife laws.

This amendment also removes the provisions of the bill that strike reference to the authority of the Commissioner of Marine Resources over fishways under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and

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instead creates joint authority for the two commissioners for the fishways currently under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Marine Resources.

Finally, this amendment directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to provide a report on eastern brook trout B List waters to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 15, 2014 and authorizes the committee to report out a bill related to its review of the commissioner's report.

### **Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 358 makes changes to strengthen the fishing laws as follows.

1. It separates provisions governing bass fishing tournaments and provisions governing fishing derby permits.
2. It gives the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife the authority to place conditions and restrictions on derby permits and bass tournament permits. The bill also makes the violation of any condition or restriction placed on a derby permit or a bass tournament permit a civil violation, and it authorizes the commissioner to revoke a permit, refuse to issue a permit or refuse to allow the participation of any person in cases involving a violation of a condition or restriction placed on a derby permit or a bass tournament permit.
3. It clarifies that any fish caught for a fishing derby, if it is to be retained solely for derby purposes, must be killed immediately and becomes part of the participant's daily bag limit.
4. It creates joint authority for the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the Commissioner of Marine Resources over fishways in dams and other artificial obstructions in tidal waters under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 6121, which under current law is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Marine Resources.
5. It authorizes the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to stock native fish species in Big Wadleigh Pond in Piscataquis County.
6. It allows the use of live bait on Millimagassett Lake, Millinocket Lake, Little Millinocket Lake and Webster Lake. It also directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to adopt rules for the use of live bait on waters that contain state heritage fish and have not been stocked since January 1, 1988.
7. It enhances penalties for noncompliance with the requirements for the importation, transportation and possession of live freshwater fish and freshwater fish gametes, not including bait fish, by creating a 5-year revocation of licenses issued under the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife laws.
8. It directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to provide a report on eastern brook trout B List waters to the Joint Standing Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by January 15, 2014 and authorizes the committee to report out a bill related to its review of the commissioner's report.

**LD 1225    An Act To Strengthen Maine's Wildlife Laws**

**PUBLIC 280  
EMERGENCY**

Sponsor(s)

BURNS

Committee Report

OTP-AM

Amendments Adopted

S-173

This bill makes changes to Maine's wildlife laws for the purpose of strengthening wildlife populations. It adds rock doves to the list of wild birds that may be hunted, and it adds bear, moose and wild turkey to the list of wild animals a person is prohibited to feed. The bill adds language to clarify that the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife's extension of the open season for bird hunting in certain sections of the State that had been closed by

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proclamation must conform to federal guidelines for migratory game bird species. It adds a provision regarding unlawful possession of ruffed grouse. The bill also directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish a task force to consider the effect of the importation and possession of wildlife and the issues of possession and exhibition of wildlife in the State.

**Committee Amendment "A" (S-173)**

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause to the bill. It clarifies that rock doves, also known as "rock pigeons" and which the bill adds to the list of wild birds that may be hunted, are not included in the definition of "migratory game bird." It repeals the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 12051, subsection 2, which requires a permit to take rock doves from the wild for the purpose of training dogs since a rock dove is not a migratory game bird. It makes further changes to the laws regarding the placement of bear bait to prohibit hunting, trapping, molesting or harassing wildlife, using chemicals or releasing dogs in the vicinity of existing bait sites. It also requires nonresidents hunting bear with the use of a dog or dogs to be within visual and voice contact of a resident Maine guide. Finally, it makes the penalty for violation of hunting bear over another person's bait without permission a mandatory hunting license revocation.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 280 makes changes to Maine's wildlife laws for the purpose of strengthening wildlife populations.

It clarifies that rock doves, also known as "rock pigeons," which the bill adds to the list of wild birds that may be hunted, are not included in the definition of "migratory game bird." It repeals the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 12051, subsection 2, which requires a permit to take rock doves from the wild for the purpose of training dogs since a rock dove is not a migratory game bird. It also adds language to clarify that the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife's extension of the open season for bird hunting in certain sections of the State that had been closed by proclamation must conform to federal guidelines for migratory game bird species. It also adds a provision regarding unlawful possession of ruffed grouse.

Also, Public Law 2013, chapter 280 adds bear, moose and wild turkey to the list of wild animals a person is prohibited to feed. It directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to establish a task force to consider the effect of the importation and possession of wildlife and the issues of possession and exhibition of wildlife in the State. It makes further changes to the laws regarding the placement of bear bait to prohibit hunting, trapping, molesting or harassing wildlife, using chemicals or releasing dogs in the vicinity of existing bait sites. It also requires nonresidents hunting bear with the use of a dog or dogs to be within visual and voice contact of a resident Maine guide. Finally, it makes the penalty for violation of hunting bear over another person's bait without permission a mandatory hunting license revocation.

Public Law 2013, chapter 280 was enacted as an emergency measure effective June 18, 2013.

**LD 1248 An Act To Establish Trail Standards in Deer Wintering Areas**

**ONTP**

Sponsor(s)

DUNPHY

Committee Report

ONTP

Amendments Adopted

This bill directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, in consultation with the Maine Land Use Planning Commission and the Commissioner of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, to adopt rules that establish standards for the construction of trails in deer wintering areas. This bill also directs the Maine Land Use Planning Commission to incorporate these standards for the construction of trails in deer wintering areas in the State's land use standards.

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**LD 1263 An Act To Increase Funding for the Snowmobile Trail Fund and Adjust the Sales Tax Relating to Snowmobiles and Trail-grooming Equipment**

**VETO  
SUSTAINED**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
STANLEY	OTP-AM OTP-AM	H-533 S-356 HILL

This bill makes the following changes related to snowmobile registration and sales tax on snowmobiles and trail-grooming equipment.

1. It increases the resident snowmobile registration fee from \$40 to \$60.
2. It increases the nonresident seasonal snowmobile registration fee from \$88 to \$108.
3. It provides that a person who buys an annual registration for that person's snowmobile before January 1st of each year receives a \$10 deduction in the registration fee.
4. It increases the 3-day nonresident snowmobile registration fee from \$43 to \$50.
5. It directs that all revenue raised from registration increases proposed in this bill be deposited in the Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Division of Parks and Public Lands, Off-road Recreational Vehicle Office.
6. It creates a 7-day nonresident snowmobile registration with a fee of \$75.
7. It removes the 5% sales tax on diesel fuel used in off-road trail-grooming equipment.
8. It removes the sales tax on the purchase of trail-grooming equipment and parts.
9. It provides that the sales tax on the purchase of snowmobiles be transferred to the Snowmobile Trail Fund.
10. It creates a snowmobile vanity license plate with a portion of the revenue going into the Snowmobile Trail Fund.
11. It repeals the language that provided the municipality where the owner of trail-grooming equipment or a snowmobile resides with 26% of the trail-grooming equipment or snowmobile registration fee.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-533)**

This amendment, which is the majority report, makes the following changes related to snowmobile registration and sales tax on snowmobiles and trail-grooming equipment.

1. It increases the resident snowmobile registration fee from \$40 to \$45 and allocates the additional \$5 to the Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Division of Parks and Public Lands.
2. The bill increases the 3-day nonresident snowmobile registration fee from \$43 to \$50 and the amendment increases the seasonal nonresident registration from \$88 to \$110 and allocates the additional revenue to the Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Division of Parks and Public Lands.

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3. The bill removes the 26% of the snowmobile and trail-grooming equipment registration fee that is distributed to municipalities and the amendment restores it.
4. It strikes the provisions of the bill that modify the sales tax exemptions related to the purchase of trail-grooming equipment.
5. It amends the law governing the special fuel tax to make it clear that fuel qualifying for a refund under that law does not lose the sales tax exemption created in the bill for diesel fuel used in snowmobile trail-grooming machinery.
6. It strikes the provision in the bill that creates a snowmobile vanity license plate.
7. It strikes the provision that the sales tax on snowmobiles be transmitted to the Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Division of Parks and Public Lands.

### **Committee Amendment "B" (H-534)**

This amendment, which is the minority report, makes the following changes related to snowmobile registration and sales tax on snowmobiles and trail-grooming equipment.

1. It maintains the resident snowmobile registration fee of \$40.
2. The bill increases the 3-day nonresident snowmobile registration fee from \$43 to \$50 and the amendment increases the seasonal nonresident registration from \$88 to \$110 and allocates the additional revenue to the Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Division of Parks and Public Lands.
3. The bill removes the 26% of the snowmobile and trail-grooming equipment registration fee that is distributed to municipalities and the amendment restores it.
4. It strikes the provisions of the bill that modify the sales tax exemptions related to the purchase of trail-grooming equipment.
5. It amends the law governing the special fuel tax to make it clear that fuel qualifying for a refund under that law does not lose the sales tax exemption created in the bill for diesel fuel used in snowmobile trail-grooming machinery.
6. It strikes the provision in the bill that creates a snowmobile vanity license plate.
7. It strikes the provision that the sales tax on snowmobiles be transmitted to the Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Division of Parks and Public Lands.

### **Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-356)**

This amendment transfers funds from the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Off-road Recreational Vehicles Program, Snowmobile Trail Fund, Other Special Revenue Funds account to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to offset the loss in revenue from exempting diesel fuel used for grooming snowmobile trails from the sales tax in fiscal years 2013-14 and 2014-15.

This bill was committed to the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and carried over to any special or regular session of the 126th Legislature by joint order, H.P. 1145, as amended by H-B (H-580) and H-C (H-582).

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**LD 1264 An Act Allowing the Harvesting of Yellow Perch with Seines**

**PUBLIC 148**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KNIGHT THOMAS	OTP-AM	H-172

This bill allows the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to adopt rules to issue a permit allowing a person to use seines to fish for and possess yellow perch.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-172)**

This amendment removes the emergency preamble and emergency clause.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 148 allows the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to adopt rules to issue a permit allowing a person to use seines to fish for and possess yellow perch.

**LD 1265 An Act To Strengthen Maine's Assent Language for Participation in the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act**

**PUBLIC 189**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DAVIS DUTREMBLE	OTP	

This bill requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to ensure that revenue raised by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is not diverted to any purpose other than administration of the department in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 22. That constitutional provision prohibits the diversion of revenue collected from license and permit fees; fines; the sale, lease or rental of property; penalties; and any other revenue source related to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 189 requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to ensure that revenue raised by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is not diverted to any purpose other than administration of the department in accordance with the Constitution of Maine, Article IX, Section 22. That constitutional provision prohibits the diversion of revenue collected from license and permit fees; fines; the sale, lease or rental of property; penalties; and any other revenue source related to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

**LD 1303 RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Preserve Hunting and Fishing**

**DIED IN CONCURRENCE**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FREDETTE GOODALL	OTP-AM ONTP	H-420

This resolution proposes to amend the Constitution of Maine to provide that the citizens of Maine have the personal right to hunt, fish and harvest wildlife, subject to laws and rules that promote wildlife conservation and preserve the future of hunting and fishing, and to provide that public hunting and fishing are a preferred means of managing and controlling wildlife.

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**Committee Amendment "A" (H-420)**

This amendment, which is the majority report of the committee, strikes the constitutional amendment language in the bill and replaces it with constitutional language to forever preserve hunting and fishing and the taking of wildlife subject to regulation for the public good. The amendment also excludes from laws that may be proposed in a citizen initiative laws governing hunting and fishing that would limit hunting or fishing. Additionally, the amendment changes the ballot question to reflect this new language.

**LD 1374 An Act To Allow a Person To Hunt with a Crossbow during the Archery-only Deer Season**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TUTTLE	ONTP OTP	

This bill allows crossbows to be used during the regular archery-only season and allows a person with a valid permit to hunt bear, moose and wild turkey with a crossbow without obtaining a crossbow hunting license.

See enacted law summary for LD 1015.

**LD 1398 An Act To Facilitate a Pilot Program for Sunday Hunting for Residents Only**

**ONTP**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
FREDETTE	ONTP	

This bill allows a person with a resident junior hunting license or a resident hunting license to hunt wild animals or wild birds on the last Sunday during the open hunting season. This provision is repealed in two years. The bill is contingent on approval by the voters in a referendum at the general election in November.

**LD 1399 An Act To Provide for the Aroostook Band of Micmacs Certain Rights Regarding Hunting, Fishing and Wildlife Management**

**ACCEPTED  
MAJORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
WILLETTE JACKSON T	ONTP OTP-AM	

This bill provides the Aroostook Band of Micmacs the same authority to regulate hunting, fishing and wildlife management as that of the Passamaquoddy Tribe and the Penobscot Nation and provides upon request each member of the Aroostook Band of Micmacs a moose permit allowing the member to take one moose per year.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-289)**

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, replaces the bill with a provision that requires the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to issue 12 moose hunting permits to the Aroostook Band of Micmacs and 12 moose hunting permits to the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians for sustenance or ceremonial tribal use by members of those tribes. This amendment was not adopted.

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LD 1435 An Act To Amend Certain Provisions of the Fish and Wildlife Laws

PUBLIC 408

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SHAW HASKELL	OTP-AM	H-500 S-363 HILL

This bill amends the fish and wildlife laws in the following ways.

1. It allows the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, after consultation with the Governor and the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council, to terminate any open season for hunting, fishing or trapping in any part of the State due to adverse weather conditions or unlawful activity. Once the reason for the termination has passed, the commissioner, with the consent of the Governor, may extend the open season in the affected part of the State for a number of days not to exceed the number of days hunting, fishing or trapping was prohibited.
2. It allows the commissioner, in addition to current authorization to issue 2 moose permits to a nonprofit organization providing hunting and fishing adventures to children under 21 years of age, to issue, in extenuating circumstances, 2 other permits or licenses for other fishing or hunting adventures.
3. It removes the requirement that the commissioner or the commissioner's designee meet with an applicant with a permanent physical disability seeking special authorization to hunt, trap or fish in a manner not otherwise authorized.
4. It allows a resident or member of the resident's family to trap beaver on land that is owned and occupied by the resident as a domicile and that is used exclusively for agricultural purposes.
5. It provides for the registration of antique motorboats, which are boats that are more than 50 years old.
6. It allows a resident who is in the military stationed outside of the State to get a trapping license for the cost of the license to the department and allows the spouse and children of that resident in the military to get a reduced-fee trapping license.
7. It establishes a quorum and attendance requirements for the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council.
8. It clarifies that a person can forgo a hunter education safety course by showing proof that the person has previously held a valid adult license for the license being sought.

**Committee Amendment "A" (H-500)**

This amendment strikes the provision of the bill regarding registration of antique motorboats. This amendment also:

1. Waives the boat registration requirement for motorboats participating in a permitted event;
2. Renames a wildlife management area after Major Gregory Sanborn;
3. Allows the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to charge a \$1 fee for a temporary registration certificate for a snowmobile dealer;
4. Changes what constitutes driving deer;
5. Includes skull mounts as part of the list of activities that a taxidermist license holder may partake in;



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6. Allows certain Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife programs to offer gifts;
7. Clarifies the law that allows for special antlerless deer permits to be issued to certain amputees;
8. Eliminates the fishing license requirement for all individuals under 16 years of age; and
9. Includes all nonresident junior hunting permits in a nonresident junior hunting license at no additional cost.

**Senate Amendment "A" To Committee Amendment "A" (S-363)**

This amendment removes the provision that allows a nonresident who is 12 years of age or older and under 16 years of age to fish without a license.

**Enacted Law Summary**

Public Law 2013, chapter 408 does the following:

1. Waives the boat registration requirement for motorboats participating in a permitted event;
2. Renames a wildlife management area after Major Gregory Sanborn;
3. Allows the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to charge a \$1 fee for a temporary registration certificate for a snowmobile dealer;
4. Changes what constitutes driving deer;
5. Includes skull mounts as part of the list of activities that a taxidermist license holder may partake in;
6. Allows certain Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife programs to offer gifts;
7. Clarifies the law that allows for special antlerless deer permits to be issued to certain amputees; and
8. Includes all nonresident junior hunting permits in a nonresident junior hunting license at no additional cost.

**LD 1474    An Act To Amend the Laws Pertaining to the Hunting of Bear**

**ONTP**

Sponsor(s)

HARLOW

Committee Report

ONTP

Amendments Adopted

This bill prohibits, with certain exceptions, hunting bear with dogs and trapping bear. The bill also sets a permanent closed season on bear hunting from January 1st through July 31st and decreases the bear bag limit from two to one. In addition, the bill prohibits the trade in bear gall bladders and imposes increased penalties for bear poaching for repeat offenders.

See also enacted law summary for LD 1016.

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LD 268	An Act To Improve Snowmobiling in the State	ONTP
LD 467	An Act To Increase Agent Fees for Registration of Certain Recreational Vehicles	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 543	An Act To Create Reciprocity of All-terrain Vehicle Registration with the State of New Hampshire	LEAVE TO WITHDRAW
LD 911	An Act To Increase Revenue for the ATV Recreational Management Fund	VETO SUSTAINED
LD 1190	An Act To Require the Secretary of State To Issue Certificates of Title for All-terrain Vehicles, Snowmobiles and Watercraft	ONTP
LD 1263	An Act To Increase Funding for the Snowmobile Trail Fund and Adjust the Sales Tax Relating to Snowmobiles and Trail-grooming Equipment	VETO SUSTAINED

### Bear

#### Not Enacted

LD 98	Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Study Issues Related to Bear Hunting and Management	ONTP
LD 910	Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Study and Make Recommendations Regarding the Bear Hunting Season	ONTP
LD 1474	An Act To Amend the Laws Pertaining to the Hunting of Bear	ONTP

### Constitutional Provisions

#### Not Enacted

LD 1303	RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Preserve Hunting and Fishing	DIED IN CONCURRENCE
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### Coyote Control

#### Not Enacted

## Coyote Control

### Not Enacted

LD 96	An Act To Enhance the Deer Population by Increasing Control of Coyotes through Local Conservation Organizations	ONTP
LD 199	An Act To Allow Agents Designated by the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Hunt Coyotes at Night during the Deer Hunting Season	ONTP
LD 798	An Act To Permit Night Hunting of Coyotes on Sunday	ONTP
LD 970	An Act To Eliminate Funding To Reduce Deer Predation	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 1148	An Act To Expand the Season for Night Hunting of Coyotes	ONTP

## Crossbow

### Enacted

LD 1015	An Act To Expand Crossbow Hunting	PUBLIC 236
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### Not Enacted

LD 99	An Act To Allow Hunting for Deer with a Crossbow during the Expanded Archery Season	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 264	An Act To Allow Crossbow Hunting during Muzzle-loading Season	DIED BETWEEN HOUSES
LD 356	An Act To Allow a Person Who Is 60 Years of Age or Older To Use a Crossbow during the Open Seasons on Wild Birds and Animals	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 1374	An Act To Allow a Person To Hunt with a Crossbow during the Archery-only Deer Season	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT

## Deer

### Enacted

LD 63	Resolve, To Direct the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Allow Veterans with Lower Limb Loss To Obtain "Any-deer" Hunting Permits	RESOLVE 16
LD 101	An Act To Allow a Junior Hunter To Take One Antlerless Deer without an Antlerless Deer Permit	PUBLIC 213

### Not Enacted

LD 79	An Act To Allow a Junior Hunter To Shoot Any Deer on Opening Day of Hunting Season	ONTP
LD 254	Resolve, To Establish the Northern Maine Advisory Task Force on Deer	ONTP
LD 423	An Act Regarding the Driving of Deer	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 544	An Act To Give Certain Landowners First Priority for Antlerless Deer Permits	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 1117	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Muzzle-loading Hunting Season	ONTP

Deer

Not Enacted

LD 1248 An Act To Establish Trail Standards in Deer Wintering Areas ONTP

Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

Enacted

LD 128 An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Advisory Council PUBLIC 375

LD 280 Resolve, Concerning Rights-of-way over Eastern Road in Scarborough RESOLVE 11

LD 1265 An Act To Strengthen Maine's Assent Language for Participation in the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act PUBLIC 189

Not Enacted

LD 86 Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Amend Its Process of Gathering Public Opinion on Rulemaking and Other Projects ONTP

LD 601 An Act To Require That Certain Changes in Conservation Law Not Be Made by Rule ONTP

Dogs and Dog Training

Enacted

LD 144 An Act To Remove the Requirement That a Person Training Dogs on Sundays Possess a Valid Hunting License PUBLIC 247  
EMERGENCY

LD 757 An Act To Amend the Hunting Laws as They Pertain to the Training of Dogs PUBLIC 286

Fish and Fishing

Enacted

LD 26 An Act To Authorize the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Change a Fishing Season Opening Date Statewide PUBLIC 3

LD 42 Resolve, To Require the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Conduct a Study on the Use of Rubber Lures and Nondegradable Fishing Hooks and Lures RESOLVE 18

LD 542 An Act To Remove the Limit on the Retention of Live Smelts PUBLIC 73  
EMERGENCY

LD 730 An Act To Protect Maine's Loons by Banning Lead Sinkers and Jigs PUBLIC 372

LD 932 An Act To Promote Fishing by Youth PUBLIC 380

LD 1191 An Act To Strengthen the Fishing Laws PUBLIC 358

LD 1264 An Act Allowing the Harvesting of Yellow Perch with Seines PUBLIC 148

Not Enacted

LD 41 An Act To Allow a Person 65 Years of Age or Older To Fish with Bait in any Inland Water ONTP

LD 43 An Act To Ban the Use of Nondegradable Hooks for Fishing ONTP

LD 100 An Act To Allow Municipalities To Stock Ponds MINORITY  
(ONTP) REPORT

### *Fish and Fishing*

#### Not Enacted

LD 170	Resolve, To Allow the Use of Live Bait When Ice Fishing in Certain Waters of the State	DIED BETWEEN HOUSES
LD 514	An Act To Allow Boards and Associations of Lakes and Ponds To Stock Fish	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 545	An Act To Enhance the Protection of Native Fish Species	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 599	An Act To Review Possible Expansion of Dip Net Fishing in Northern Maine	ONTP
LD 617	An Act To Protect the State's Native and Wild Brook Trout and Discourage Illegal Fish Introduction	ONTP
LD 679	Resolve, Regarding the Management of Maine's Brook Trout and Landlocked Salmon Resources	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 758	An Act To Protect Boats, Moorings and Docks in the Inland Waters of the State	ONTP
LD 799	Resolve, To Allow Use of Live Bait for Fishing in the Allagash Wilderness Waterway and Fish River Waterway	ONTP
LD 931	An Act To Prevent Fish Kills and To Allow for Recreational Use of Sebago Lake	CARRIED OVER

### *Fish and Wildlife Heritage Museum*

#### Not Enacted

LD 1174	Resolve, To Establish the Commission To Study the Creation of a State and Federal Fish and Wildlife Museum at the Massabesic Experimental Forest in Alfred and Lyman	ONTP
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### *Hunting*

#### Enacted

LD 307	An Act To Exempt Persons Who Serve in the Armed Forces from the Requirement To Take a Hunter Safety Course To Obtain a Hunting License	PUBLIC 139
LD 540	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing the Discharge of a Firearm or Crossbow near a Dwelling or Building	PUBLIC 215
LD 1016	An Act Regarding the Buying and Selling of Animal Parts	PUBLIC 333
LD 1225	An Act To Strengthen Maine's Wildlife Laws	PUBLIC 280 EMERGENCY

#### Not Enacted

LD 391	An Act To Allow a Person To Possess Small Game in Excess of That Person's Possession Limit	ONTP
LD 896	An Act To Allow Fox Hunting at Night	ONTP
LD 1005	An Act To Assist Hunters Transporting Animals for Registration	ONTP

### *Kayaks*

#### Not Enacted

LD 203	An Act To Require Kayakers on Open Salt Water To Use a Personal Flotation Device	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
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### Licenses and Permits

#### Enacted

LD 229	An Act To Simplify and Encourage the Sale of Hunting and Fishing Licenses and Permits	PUBLIC 322 EMERGENCY
LD 541	An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Complimentary Hunting, Trapping and Fishing Licenses for Disabled Veterans	PUBLIC 404
LD 717	An Act To Provide Free Fishing Licenses to Certain Children in the Custody of the Department of Health and Human Services	PUBLIC 93
LD 857	An Act To Examine Fees Charged by Municipalities Concerning Outdoor-related Activities	PUBLIC 199
LD 879	An Act To Increase State Wildlife Revenues and Grow the Hunting and Fishing Industries	PUBLIC 145

#### Not Enacted

LD 153	An Act To Establish a Comprehensive Hunting and Fishing License	CARRIED OVER
LD 705	An Act To Amend the Junior Hunting License Requirements	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT
LD 736	An Act To Establish the Review Board of Appeals To Review the Denial of Hunting and Fishing Licenses	ONTP

### Maine Tribes

#### Enacted

LD 306	An Act To Exempt Members of the Penobscot Nation, the Passamaquoddy Tribe, the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians and the Aroostook Band of Micmacs from Special Training Requirements for Archery and Trapping	PUBLIC 185 EMERGENCY
LD 600	An Act To Include Archery Hunting Licenses among the Complimentary Licenses Issued to a Member of a Federally Recognized Indian Tribe, Nation or Band	PUBLIC 136

#### Not Enacted

LD 201	An Act To Permit Tribal Members To Hunt Any Animal or Bird at Any Time for Sustenance	INDEF PP
LD 202	An Act To Permit Tribal Members To Fish at Any Time for Sustenance	INDEF PP
LD 1399	An Act To Provide for the Aroostook Band of Micmacs Certain Rights Regarding Hunting, Fishing and Wildlife Management	MAJORITY (ONTP) REPORT

### Migratory Waterfowl

#### Not Enacted

LD 775	An Act To Require a Nonresident To Hire a Maine Guide To Hunt Sea Ducks	ONTP
LD 800	An Act To Expand Migratory Waterfowl Hunting Opportunities	ONTP

### Moose

#### Enacted

LD 177	An Act To Expand Moose Hunting Opportunities	PUBLIC 226
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#### Not Enacted

LD 738	An Act To Promote the Northern Maine Economy and Support Maine's Sporting Camp Tradition	HELD BY GOVERNOR
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*Omnibus*

Enacted

LD 1435 An Act To Amend Certain Provisions of the Fish and Wildlife Laws PUBLIC 408

*Snowmobiles*

Not Enacted

LD 97 An Act To Improve the Integrity of the State's Snowmobile Trail System ONTP

*Sunday Hunting*

Not Enacted

LD 1398 An Act To Facilitate a Pilot Program for Sunday Hunting for Residents Only ONTP

*Trapping*

Not Enacted

LD 895 Resolve, Directing the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife To Amend Its Rules Regarding Required Setback Distances for Beaver Traps ONTP

*Watercraft*

Not Enacted

LD 930 An Act To Subject a Motorboat with a Certificate of Number from Another Jurisdiction to the Annual Registration Fee ONTP

*Whitewater Rafting*

Enacted

LD 281 An Act To Reform Maine's Whitewater Rafting Laws PUBLIC 245

Not Enacted

LD 163 An Act To Increase the Number of Rafting Passengers Allowed for Licensed Outfitters on Unallocated Rivers ONTP

LD 618 An Act To Eliminate Restrictions on Affiliated Outfitters in Laws Governing Whitewater Rafting ONTP

LD 652 Resolve, To Establish the Advisory Committee To Update Rules Regulating Commercial Whitewater Rafting INDEF PP

*Wild Turkey*

Enacted

LD 200 An Act To Expand Wild Turkey Hunting Opportunities PUBLIC 387

LD 477 Resolve, To Open Wild Turkey Hunting in Wildlife Management District 27 for the 2013 Spring Turkey Hunting Season RESOLVE 10 EMERGENCY

Not Enacted

LD 84 An Act To Expand Turkey Hunting ONTP

LD 143 An Act To Allow a Hunter To Harvest a Wild Turkey of Either Sex during the Month of October without an Extra Charge for the Permit ONTP

*Wildlife Sanctuaries and Preserves*

Enacted

LD 173 An Act To Remove the Rangeley Plantation Sanctuary from the List of Wildlife Sanctuaries PUBLIC 138





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**APPENDIX A**  
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**SESSION STATISTICS**

**OVERALL AND**  
**BY INDIVIDUAL COMMITTEE**

**126th LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>		
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>		
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	1339	84.9%
<i>Bills Carried Over to next session</i>	213 *	13.5%
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>1552</b>	<b>98.4%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0.3%</b>
<b>C. Bills introduced without reference</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1.1%</b>
<b>D. <u>Bills referred, but not reported out (LDs 239, 644, 1558)</u></b>	<b><u>3</u></b>	
<b>Total Bills considered by Legislature</b>	<b>1577</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>E. Orders and Resolutions Referred to Committee</b>		
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	
<i>Joint Resolutions/Orders referred and voted out (JUD )</i>	1	
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over to next session (AFA)</i>	<u>1</u>	0.1%
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.2%</b>
		<b>% of All Committee Reports</b>
<b>II. BILLS AND PAPERS REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEES</b>	<b><u>Number</u></b>	
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>		
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	119	8.9%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	363	27.0%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	22	1.6%
<i><u>Ought Not to Pass</u></i>	<u>482</u>	<u>35.9%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>73.4%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>		
<i>Two-way reports</i>	347	25.8%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	11	0.8%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	0	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>26.6%</b>
<b>Total Committee reports</b>	<b>1344 **</b>	<b>86.2%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>N/A</b>
		<b>% of All Bills/Rules</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<b><u>Number</u></b>	
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>		
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	4	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	423	26.8%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	18	1.1%
<i>Resolves</i>	78	4.9%
<i><u>Constitutional Resolutions</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>33.2%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>		
Rules authorized without legislative changes	5	29.4%
Rules authorized with legislative changes	7	41.2%
Rules carried over to next session	4	
<i><u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u></i>	<u>1</u>	<u>5.9%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>		
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	5	0.3%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	77	4.9%
<i><u>Held by the Governor</u></i>	<u>16</u>	<u>1.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>6.2%</b>

\* Includes 48 bills reported out of various committees and subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; it also includes bills recommitted to committee of jurisdiction and carried over. To avoid double counting, these bills are counted as carried over and not as bills voted or reported out.

\*\* Total committee reports does not include LD 815 that was voted by TAX Committee to be re-referred to VLA Committee, but was indefinitely postponed by the House and Seante.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

<b>I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	58	90.6%	3.7%
<i><u>Bills Carried Over to next session</u></i>	<u>6</u> *	<u>9.4%</u>	<u>0.4%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	12	20.7%	0.9%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	19	32.8%	1.4%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Ought Not to Pass</i>	6	10.3%	0.4%
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>63.8%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	18	31.0%	1.3%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	3	5.2%	0.2%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>36.2%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>90.6%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	28	43.8%	1.8%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	1	1.6%	0.1%
<i>Resolves</i>	7	10.9%	0.4%
<i><u>Constitutional Resolutions</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>56.3%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>
<b>B. Major substantive rules</b>			
<i>Authorized without legislative changes</i>	1	20.0%	5.9%
<i>Authorized with legislative changes</i>	1	20.0%	5.9%
<i>Rules carried over to next session</i>	3		
<i><u>Not authorized by the Legislature</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>29.4%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	2	3.1%	0.1%
<i><u>Held by the Governor</u></i>	<u>2</u>	<u>3.1%</u>	<u>0.1%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

\* 3 bills were voted out that were subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, these bills are not counted here; see numbers for AFA Committee.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

I. <b>BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	4	4.0%	0.3%
<i><u>Bills Carried Over to next session</u></i>	<u>96</u> *	<u>95.0%</u>	<u>6.1%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>99.0%</b>	<b>6.3%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>1</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>0.1%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
		<b>% of this Committee's Reports</b>	<b>% of All Committee Reports</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>		
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	4	100.0%	0.3%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Ought Not to Pass</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Four-way reports</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
		<b>% of Comm Bills/Papers</b>	<b>% of All Bills/Papers</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>		
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	3	3.0%	0.2%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Constitutional Resolutions</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
<i>Rules authorized without legislative changes</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Rules authorized with legislative changes</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	1	1.0%	0.1%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Held by the Governor</u></i>	<u>1</u>	<u>1.0%</u>	<u>0.1%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

\* Includes 48 bills reported out of other committees and subsequently committed to AFA Committee and carried over.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

I. <b>BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	93	93.0%	5.9%
<u><i>Bills Carried Over to next session</i></u>	<u>7</u> *	<u>7.0%</u>	<u>0.4%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.3%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.3%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	1	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions/Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
		<b>% of this Committee's Reports</b>	<b>% of All Committee Reports</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>		
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	10	10.6%	0.7%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	17	18.1%	1.3%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	1	1.1%	0.1%
<u><i>Ought Not to Pass</i></u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30.9%</u>	<u>2.2%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>60.6%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	37	39.4%	2.8%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>39.4%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>94.0%</b>	<b>7.0%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
		<b>% of Comm Bills/Papers</b>	<b>% of All Bills/Papers</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>		
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	31	31.0%	2.0%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	1	1.0%	0.1%
<u><i>Constitutional Resolutions</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32.0%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
Rules authorized without legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
Rules authorized with legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	4	4.0%	0.3%
<u><i>Held by the Governor</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

\* 1 bill was voted out that were subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, this bill is not counted here; see numbers for AFA Committee.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
EDUCATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	137	93.8%	8.7%
<u>Bills Carried Over to next session</u>	<u>8</u> *	<u>5.5%</u>	<u>0.5%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>99.3%</b>	<b>9.2%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>9.3%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
		<b>% of this Committee's Reports</b>	<b>% of All Committee Reports</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<b><u>Number</u></b>		
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	7	5.1%	0.5%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	46	33.3%	3.4%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	7	5.1%	0.5%
<u>Ought Not to Pass</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>37.0%</u>	<u>3.8%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>80.4%</b>	<b>8.3%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	26	18.8%	1.9%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	1	0.7%	0.1%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>19.6%</b>	<b>2.0%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>94.5%</b>	<b>10.3%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
		<b>% of Comm Bills/Papers</b>	<b>% of All Bills/Papers</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<b><u>Number</u></b>		
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	32	21.9%	2.0%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	2	1.4%	0.1%
<i>Resolves</i>	11	7.5%	0.7%
<u>Constitutional Resolutions</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>30.8%</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
Rules authorized without legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
Rules authorized with legislative changes	2	66.7%	11.8%
<u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>33.3%</u>	<u>5.9%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>17.6%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	1	0.7%	0.1%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	14	9.6%	0.9%
<u>Held by the Governor</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2.1%</u>	<u>0.2%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>12.3%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>

\* 8 bills were voted out that were subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, these bills are not counted here; see numbers for AFA Committee. Also includes 2 bills voted out that were recommitted to the committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, these bills are counted as carried over and not as bills voted or reported out.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
ENERGY AND UTILITIES**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

<b>I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	63	74.1%	4.0%
<i><u>Bills Carried Over to next session</u></i>	<u>21</u> *	<u>24.7%</u>	<u>1.3%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>98.8%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5.4%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	6	9.4%	0.4%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	22	34.4%	1.6%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	2	3.1%	0.1%
<i><u>Ought Not to Pass</u></i>	<u>29</u>	<u>45.3%</u>	<u>2.2%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>92.2%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	5	7.8%	0.4%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>75.3%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	14	16.5%	0.9%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	8	9.4%	0.5%
<i>Resolves</i>	5	5.9%	0.3%
<i><u>Constitutional Resolutions</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>31.8%</b>	<b>1.7%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
<i>Rules authorized without legislative changes</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Rules authorized with legislative changes</i>	1	50.0%	5.9%
<i>Rules carried over to next session</i>	1		
<i><u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>11.8%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	1	1.2%	0.1%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	1	1.2%	0.1%
<i><u>Held by the Governor</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

\* 1 bill was voted out that was subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, this bill is not counted here; see numbers for AFA Committee.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	56	93.3%	3.6%
<i>Bills Carried Over to next session</i>	<u>4</u>	<u>6.7%</u>	<u>0.3%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
II. COMMITTEE REPORTS	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	5	8.9%	0.4%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	14	25.0%	1.0%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	1	1.8%	0.1%
<i>Ought Not to Pass</i>	<u>12</u>	<u>21.4%</u>	<u>0.9%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>57.1%</b>	<b>2.4%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	22	39.3%	1.6%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	2	3.6%	0.1%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>42.9%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>93.3%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
IV. FINAL DISPOSITION	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	25	41.7%	1.6%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	3	5.0%	0.2%
<i>Constitutional Resolutions</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>46.7%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
Rules authorized without legislative changes	1	100.0%	5.9%
Rules authorized with legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5.9%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	4	6.7%	0.3%
<i>Held by the Governor</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6.7%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>



**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

<b>I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	128	92.8%	8.1%
<i><u>Bills Carried Over to next session</u></i>	9 *	6.5%	0.6%
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>99.3%</b>	<b>8.7%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8.8%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	16	12.4%	1.2%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	39	30.2%	2.9%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Ought Not to Pass</u></i>	<u>35</u>	<u>27.1%</u>	<u>2.6%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>69.8%</b>	<b>6.7%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	38	29.5%	2.8%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	1	0.8%	0.1%
<i><u>Four-way reports</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>30.2%</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>93.5%</b>	<b>9.6%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	35	25.4%	2.2%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	15	10.9%	1.0%
<i><u>Constitutional Resolutions</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>36.2%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
<i>Rules authorized without legislative changes</i>	1	50.0%	5.9%
<i>Rules authorized with legislative changes</i>	1	50.0%	5.9%
<i><u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>11.8%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	15	10.9%	1.0%
<i><u>Held by the Governor</u></i>	<u>3</u>	<u>2.2%</u>	<u>0.2%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13.0%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>

\* 13 bills were voted out that were subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, these bills are not counted here; see numbers for AFA Committee. Also includes 1 bill that was recommitted to the committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, this bill was counted as carried over and not as bills voted or reported out.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	67	88.2%	4.2%
<i><u>Bills Carried Over to next session</u></i>	<u>9</u> *	<u>11.8%</u>	<u>0.6%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
II. COMMITTEE REPORTS	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	6	9.0%	0.4%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	22	32.8%	1.6%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	1	1.5%	0.1%
<i><u>Ought Not to Pass</u></i>	<u>25</u>	<u>37.3%</u>	<u>1.9%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>80.6%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	13	19.4%	1.0%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Four-way reports</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19.4%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>88.2%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
IV. FINAL DISPOSITION	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	26	34.2%	1.6%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	2	2.6%	0.1%
<i><u>Constitutional Resolutions</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>36.8%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
<i>Rules authorized without legislative changes</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Rules authorized with legislative changes</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoes over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoes sustained</i>	4	5.3%	0.3%
<i><u>Held by the Governor</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

\* Includes 1 bill voted out that was recommitted to the committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, this bill is counted as carried over and not as bills voted or reported out.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	94	96.9%	6.0%
<i>Bills Carried Over to next session</i>	<u>3</u>	<u>3.1%</u>	<u>0.2%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.2%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.2%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
		<b>% of this Committee's Reports</b>	<b>% of All Committee Reports</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>		
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	8	8.5%	0.6%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	20	21.3%	1.5%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	1	1.1%	0.1%
<i>Ought Not to Pass</i>	<u>36</u>	<u>38.3%</u>	<u>2.7%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>69.1%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	29	30.9%	2.2%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30.9%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>96.9%</b>	<b>7.0%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
		<b>% of Comm Bills/Papers</b>	<b>% of All Bills/Papers</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>		
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	31	32.0%	2.0%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	4	4.1%	0.3%
<i>Constitutional Resolutions</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>36.1%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
Rules authorized without legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
Rules authorized with legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	2	2.1%	0.1%
<i>Held by the Governor</i>	<u>1</u>	<u>1.0%</u>	<u>0.1%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
JUDICIARY**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

<b>I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	123	96.9%	7.8%
<i><u>Bills Carried Over to next session</u></i>	<u>4</u> *	<u>3.1%</u>	<u>0.3%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8.1%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8.1%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions/Orders referred and voted out</i>	1	100.0%	0.1%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	15	12.1%	1.1%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	29	23.4%	2.2%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	3	2.4%	0.2%
<i><u>Ought Not to Pass</u></i>	<u>41</u>	<u>33.1%</u>	<u>3.1%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>71.0%</b>	<b>6.5%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	35	28.2%	2.6%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	1	0.8%	0.1%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>29.0%</b>	<b>2.7%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>96.9%</b>	<b>9.2%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	40	31.5%	2.5%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	2	1.6%	0.1%
<i>Resolves</i>	7	5.5%	0.4%
<i><u>Constitutional Resolutions</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>38.6%</b>	<b>3.1%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
<i>Rules authorized without legislative changes</i>	2	100.0%	11.8%
<i>Rules authorized with legislative changes</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>11.8%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	1	0.8%	0.1%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	6	4.7%	0.4%
<i><u>Held by the Governor</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>

\* 5 bills were voted out that were subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, these bills are not counted here; see numbers for AFA Committee.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
LABOR, COMMERCE, RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

I. <b>BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	126	92.6%	8.0%
<i><u>Bills Carried Over to next session</u></i>	<u>10</u> *	<u>7.4%</u>	<u>0.6%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8.6%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8.6%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
		<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>		
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	10	7.9%	0.7%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	35	27.8%	2.6%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	1	0.8%	0.1%
<i>Ought Not to Pass</i>	<u>46</u>	<u>36.5%</u>	<u>3.4%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>73.0%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	32	25.4%	2.4%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	2	1.6%	0.1%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>27.0%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>92.6%</b>	<b>9.4%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
		<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>		
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	43	31.6%	2.7%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	1	0.7%	0.1%
<i>Resolves</i>	4	2.9%	0.3%
<i><u>Constitutional Resolutions</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>35.3%</b>	<b>3.0%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
Rules authorized without legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
Rules authorized with legislative changes	1	100.0%	5.9%
<i>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5.9%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	15	11.0%	1.0%
<i><u>Held by the Governor</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11.0%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>

\* 4 bills were voted out that were subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, these bills are not counted here; see numbers for AFA Committee. Also includes 2 bills voted out that were recommitted to the committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, these bills are counted as carried over and not as bills voted or reported out.

**JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON  
MAINE'S WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC FUTURE**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

<b>I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	8	88.9%	0.5%
<i><u>Bills Carried Over to next session</u></i>	1	11.1%	0.1%
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
		<b>% of this Committee's Reports</b>	<b>% of All Committee Reports</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>		
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	2	25.0%	0.1%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Ought Not to Pass</u></i>	<u>5</u>	<u>62.5%</u>	<u>0.4%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>87.5%</b>	<b>0.5%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	1	12.5%	0.1%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Four-way reports</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12.5%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>88.9%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
		<b>% of Comm Bills/Papers</b>	<b>% of All Bills/Papers</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>		
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Constitutional Resolutions</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
<i>Rules authorized without legislative changes</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Rules authorized with legislative changes</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Held by the Governor</u></i>	<u>2</u>	<u>22.2%</u>	<u>0.1%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22.2%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
MARINE RESOURCES**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

<b>I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	31	91.2%	2.0%
<u><i>Bills Carried Over to next session</i></u>	<u>3</u> *	<u>8.8%</u>	<u>0.2%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2.2%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	1	3.2%	0.1%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	12	38.7%	0.9%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Ought Not to Pass</i></u>	<u>15</u>	<u>48.4%</u>	<u>1.1%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>90.3%</b>	<b>2.1%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	3	9.7%	0.2%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9.7%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>91.2%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	14	41.2%	0.9%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Constitutional Resolutions</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>41.2%</b>	<b>0.9%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
Rules authorized without legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
Rules authorized with legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Held by the Governor</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

\* 2 bills were voted out that were subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, these bills are not counted here; see numbers for AFA Committee.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

<b>I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	74	92.5%	4.7%
<i><u>Bills Carried Over to next session</u></i>	<u>6</u>	<u>7.5%</u>	<u>0.4%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	6	8.1%	0.4%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	15	20.3%	1.1%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	1	1.4%	0.1%
<i><u>Ought Not to Pass</u></i>	<u>17</u>	<u>23.0%</u>	<u>1.3%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>52.7%</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	34	45.9%	2.5%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	1	1.4%	0.1%
<i><u>Four-way reports</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>47.3%</b>	<b>2.6%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>92.5%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	16	20.0%	1.0%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	3	3.8%	0.2%
<i>Resolves</i>	5	6.3%	0.3%
<i><u>Constitutional Resolutions</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>30.0%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
<i>Rules authorized without legislative changes</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Rules authorized with legislative changes</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i><u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u></i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	1	1.3%	0.1%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	1	1.3%	0.1%
<i><u>Held by the Governor</u></i>	<u>1</u>	<u>1.3%</u>	<u>0.1%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>



# JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

## Summary of Committee Actions

I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	86	90.5%	5.5%
<u><i>Bills Carried Over to next session</i></u>	<u>9</u> *	<u>9.5%</u>	<u>0.6%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>			
	0	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
II. COMMITTEE REPORTS	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	2	2.4%	0.1%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	20	23.5%	1.5%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	1	1.2%	0.1%
<u><i>Ought Not to Pass</i></u>	<u>47</u>	<u>55.3%</u>	<u>3.5%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>82.4%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	15	17.6%	1.1%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Four-way reports</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>17.6%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>89.5%</b>	<b>6.3%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>			
	0	N/A	N/A
IV. FINAL DISPOSITION	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	17	17.9%	1.1%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	1	1.1%	0.1%
<u><i>Constitutional Resolutions</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18.9%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
Rules authorized without legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
Rules authorized with legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	2	2.1%	0.1%
<u><i>Held by the Governor</i></u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2.1%</u>	<u>0.1%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

\* 9 bills were voted out that were subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, these bills are not counted here. See numbers for AFA Committee. Also includes 1 bill voted out that was recommitted to the committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, this bill is counted as carried over and not as bills voted or reported out.

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
TRANSPORTATION**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

<b>I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	101	94.4%	6.4%
<i>Bills Carried Over to next session</i>	<u>6</u>	<u>5.6%</u>	<u>0.4%</u>
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	10	9.9%	0.7%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	25	24.8%	1.9%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Ought Not to Pass</i>	<u>51</u>	<u>50.5%</u>	<u>3.8%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>85.1%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	15	14.9%	1.1%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Four-way reports</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14.9%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>94.4%</b>	<b>7.5%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	28	26.2%	1.8%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	1	0.9%	0.1%
<i>Resolves</i>	8	7.5%	0.5%
<i>Constitutional Resolutions</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>34.6%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
Rules authorized without legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
Rules authorized with legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
Rules not authorized by the Legislature	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	1	0.9%	0.1%
<i>Held by the Governor</i>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.9%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>

**JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
VETERANS' AND LEGAL AFFAIRS**

**Summary of Committee Actions**

<b>I. BILLS AND PAPERS CONSIDERED</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Activity</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Bills referred and voted out</i>	90	88.2%	5.7%
<u><i>Bills Carried Over to next session</i></u>	11 *	10.8%	0.7%
<b>Total Bills referred</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>99.0%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>
<b>B. Bills reported out by law or joint order and not referred back to committee</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>0.1%</b>
<b>Total Bills considered by Committee</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6.5%</b>
<b>Orders and Resolutions referred to Committee</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Joint Resolutions referred and voted out</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Orders and Resolutions Carried Over from previous session</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Orders and Resolutions Referred</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>II. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of this Committee's Reports</u>	<u>% of All Committee Reports</u>
<b>A. Unanimous committee reports</b>			
<i>Ought to Pass</i>	5	5.5%	0.4%
<i>Ought to Pass as Amended</i>	22	24.2%	1.6%
<i>Leave to Withdraw</i>	3	3.3%	0.2%
<u><i>Ought Not to Pass</i></u>	<u>37</u>	<u>40.7%</u>	<u>2.8%</u>
<b>Total unanimous reports</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>73.6%</b>	<b>5.0%</b>
<b>B. Divided committee reports</b>			
<i>Two-way reports</i>	24	26.4%	1.8%
<i>Three-way reports</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<u><i>Four-way reports</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total divided reports</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>26.4%</b>	<b>1.8%</b>
<b>Total committee reports</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>89.2%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>
<b>III. CONFIRMATION HEARINGS</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>IV. FINAL DISPOSITION</b>	<u>Number</u>	<u>% of Comm Bills/Papers</u>	<u>% of All Bills/Papers</u>
<b>A. Bills and Papers enacted or finally passed</b>			
<i>Joint Study Orders</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Public laws</i>	34	33.3%	2.2%
<i>Private and Special Laws</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Resolves</i>	2	2.0%	0.1%
<u><i>Constitutional Resolutions</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total Enacted or Finally Passed</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>35.3%</b>	<b>2.3%</b>
<b>B. Resolves to authorize major substantive rules</b>			
Rules authorized without legislative changes	0	0.0%	0.0%
Rules authorized with legislative changes	1	100.0%	5.9%
<u>Rules not authorized by the Legislature</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total number of rules reviewed</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5.9%</b>
<b>C. Bills vetoed or held by Governor</b>			
<i>Vetoed over-ridden</i>	0	0.0%	0.0%
<i>Vetoed sustained</i>	5	4.9%	0.3%
<u><i>Held by the Governor</i></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0%</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

\* 2 bills were voted out that were subsequently committed to the AFA Committee and carried over; to avoid double counting, these bills are not counted here; see numbers for AFA Committee.



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