

# *Weekly* **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

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132nd LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

BILLS ENACTED

Public Laws

Signed by the Governor  
Monday, March 23, 2026

**Ch. 582** - An Act Regarding Scheduling of Agricultural Fairs and Pulling Events. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1411, L.D. 2096)

**Ch. 583** - An Act to Clarify and Strengthen the Government Shutdown Loan Guarantee Program. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1417, L.D. 2102)

**Ch. 584** - An Act to Update the Requirements for Social Worker Licensure. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1387, L.D. 2074)

**Ch. 585** - An Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Licensure of American Sign Language Interpreters. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1402, L.D. 2087)

**Ch. 586** - An Act to Establish the Suicide Mortality Review Panel. (EMERGENCY) (H.P. 1423, L.D. 2108)

**Ch. 587** - An Act to Improve Affordability, Stability and Access in the Maine Child Care Affordability Program. (S.P. 674, L.D. 1728)

**Ch. 588** - An Act Regarding Energy Fairness. (S.P. 756, L.D. 1949)

**Ch. 589** - An Act to Increase the Annual Cap on Funds Assessed for the Safety Education and Training Fund. (S.P. 806, L.D. 1993)

**Ch. 590** - An Act to Clarify Activities Allowed Under the Natural Resources Protection Act. (S.P. 851, L.D. 2063)

**Ch. 591** - An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Municipal Reporting on Residential Buildings. (H.P. 1394, L.D. 2079)

**Ch. 592** - An Act to Clarify Contractual Rights of Personal Sports Mobile Dealers. (H.P. 1419, L.D. 2104)

**Ch. 593** - An Act Regarding Synthetic Media in Campaign Advertising. (H.P. 335, L.D. 517)

**Ch. 594** - An Act to Clarify the Laws Governing Facilities for Children and Adults Under the Health and Human Services Laws. (S.P. 815, L.D. 2001)

**Ch. 595** - An Act to Include a Certain Emergency Communications Position at the Department of Public Safety in the 1998 Special Plan. (H.P. 1400, L.D. 2085)

**Ch. 596** - An Act to Reorganize the Emergency Medical Services' Board to Implement the Recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Emergency Medical Services in the State. (S.P. 817, L.D. 2128)

**Ch. 597** - An Act to Transfer the Responsibilities of the Governor's Energy Office to the Department of Energy Resources. (H.P. 1442, L.D. 2153)

**Ch. 598** - An Act to Improve the Public Employees Disability Retirement Program by Modifying Provisions Controlling the Reduction of Benefits and Clarifying Terminology. (S.P. 879, L.D. 2169)

**Resolves**

Became law without the Governor's Signature  
Sunday, March 22, 2026

**Ch. 146** - Resolve, to Establish a Task Force to Create a Court Navigation Program Plan. (EMERGENCY) (S.P. 772, L.D. 1965)

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**Ch. 147** - Resolve, to Establish the Working Group to Prioritize Wellness and Mental Health Resources for Heritage Industries. (S.P. 862, L.D. 2144)

**Ch. 148** - Resolve, to Name a Bridge Between the Town of Hiram and the Town of Cornish Warren's Bridge. (S.P. 889, L.D. 2184)

(Chaptered copies of the above measures may be obtained from the Engrossing Department, Room 106, State House, 7 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0007, Ph. 207-287-1324.)

**BILLS PRINTED AS OF FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2026****L.D. 2241, S.P. 917**

Resolve, Authorizing the Joint Standing Committee of the Legislature Having Jurisdiction over Transportation Matters to Report out a Bill Regarding the Towing Industry. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation pursuant to Resolve 2025, chapter 77, section 5.)

**L.D. 2242, H.P. 1521**

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 6: Standards Relating to Prescriptive Authorities and Collaborative Relationship for Naturopathic Doctors, a Late-filed Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation. (EMERGENCY) (Submitted by the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 8072 and approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council.)

(Copies of the Bills may be obtained from the Document Room, First Floor, State House, Augusta, Maine 04333-0002 - Ph: 207-287-1408. Bill text, bill status and roll call information are available on the Internet at <http://legislature.maine.gov/LawMakerWeb/search.asp>. The Weekly Legislative Report is also available on the Internet at the House home page at <http://legislature.maine.gov/house/house/> under the "Documents" tab.)

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