

# *Weekly* **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

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**131st LEGISLATURE**  
**FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**  
**BILLS ENACTED**

**Public Laws**

Became law without the Governor's Signature  
Sunday, May 21, 2023

**Ch. 96** - An Act to Maintain Legislative Oversight of the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Program by Requiring Major Substantive Rulemaking. (H.P. 625, L.D. 978)

Signed by the Governor  
Monday, May 22, 2023

**Ch. 97** - An Act to Improve Coastal Sand Dune Restoration Projects. (H.P. 295, L.D. 478)

**Ch. 98** - An Act to Assist Municipal Shellfish Conservation Programs. (S.P. 249, L.D. 581)

**Ch. 99** - An Act to Change the Notification Law for School Truancy. (H.P. 408, L.D. 631)

**Ch. 100** - An Act to Protect the Practice of Certain Cardiovascular Professionals. (H.P. 533, L.D. 844)

**Ch. 101** - An Act to Allow the Local Foods Fund for Public Schools to Be Used for Processed and Value-added Maine Food Products. (S.P. 392, L.D. 921)

Became law without the Governor's Signature  
Wednesday, May 24, 2023

**Ch. 102** - An Act to Clarify That Haulers Are Under the Jurisdiction of the Logging Dispute Resolution Board. (S.P. 228, L.D. 511)

**Ch. 103** - An Act to Allow a Restaurant to Serve a Bottle of Wine to the Person Who Brought the Bottle. (S.P. 435, L.D. 1066)

**Resolves**

Signed by the Governor  
Monday, May 22, 2023

**Ch. 16** - Resolve, Naming a Pond in the Town of New Gloucester as MacDonald Pond. (H.P. 429, L.D. 660)

**Ch. 17** - Resolve, Directing the Maine Community College System to Study Providing On-campus Housing on All Campuses. (H.P. 519, L.D. 830)

**Ch. 18** - Resolve, Authorizing the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands Within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to Lease Certain Land Within Somerset County. (H.P. 860, L.D. 1346)

(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, MAY 26, 2023**

**L.D. 1977, H.P. 1270**

An Act to Create the Data Privacy and Protection Act. (Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco)

**L.D. 1978, H.P. 1271**

An Act to Enact the Reentry Success and Earned Time Act. (Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

**L.D. 1979, H.P. 1272**

An Act Regarding Surplus Lines Insurance Tax. (Presented by Representative PERRY of Bangor)

**L.D. 1980, S.P. 809**

An Act to Improve Election Laws and Notarial Laws. (Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec)

**L.D. 1981, S.P. 810**

An Act to Extend and Expand the Loring Job Increment Financing Fund. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

**L.D. 1982, S.P. 811**

An Act Regarding Appropriations and Allocations to Support the State of Maine. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

**L.D. 1983, S.P. 812**

An Act to Establish the Maine Buy American and Build Maine Act. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

**L.D. 1984, S.P. 813**

An Act to Allow Golf Courses to Obtain a License to Conduct Off-premises Catering. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

**L.D. 1985, S.P. 814**

An Act to Authorize Removal of Requirements of Forest Certification Systems from the State's Forest Management Plans. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

**L.D. 1986, S.P. 815**

An Act Relating to Net Energy Billing and Distributed Solar and Energy Storage Systems. (Presented by Senator LAWRENCE of York)

**L.D. 1987, S.P. 816**

An Act to Allow the Adjutant General to Sell the Calais Armory. (Presented by Senator MOORE of Washington)

**L.D. 1988, S.P. 817**

An Act to Provide Critical Matching Funds for Child Care Services on the Northern Maine Community College Campus. (Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

**L.D. 1989, S.P. 818**

Resolve, to Modify the Deed for a Parcel of Property in the Town of Carrabassett Valley to Allow for Workforce Housing. (Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin)

**L.D. 1990, H.P. 1273**

An Act to Improve the Licensing Procedure for Certain Social Workers by Removing the Examination Requirement. (Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

**L.D. 1991, H.P. 1274**

An Act Regarding Gubernatorial Primary Elections. (Presented by Representative SUPICA of Bangor)

**L.D. 1992, H.P. 1275**

An Act to Legalize Historical Horse Racing and Electronic Beano to Allow Maine Gaming Licensees and Federally Recognized Indian Tribes to Compete with Other Gaming States. (Presented by Representative COLLINGS of Portland)

**L.D. 1993, H.P. 1276**

An Act to Expand Home Visiting Services and Provide for Reimbursement Under the MaineCare Program for Perinatal Doula Services and Midwifery Services. (Presented by Representative COLLINGS of Portland)

**L.D. 1994, S.P. 819**

An Act to Provide for Increased Academic Research by Allowing the Gathering of Data or Statistics by Telephone. (Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock)

**L.D. 1995, S.P. 820**

An Act to Bolster Maine's Workforce and Economy by Increasing Assistance for Parents Pursuing Education and Employment and by Indexing Unemployment Benefits to the Unemployment Rate. (Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

**L.D. 1996, S.P. 821**

An Act to Regulate Synthetic Hemp-derived Cannabinoids. (Presented by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland)

**L.D. 1997, S.P. 822**

An Act to Implement Critical Reforms to the Department of Environmental Protection Outlined in the State COVID-19 Reopening Plan. (Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

**L.D. 1998, S.P. 823**

An Act to Transfer the Arch Hangar at the Former Loring Air Force Base to the Loring Air Museum. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

**L.D. 1999, H.P. 1277**

An Act to Ensure the Equitable Treatment of Military Retirement Plan Income. (Presented by Representative TERRY of Gorham)

**L.D. 2000, H.P. 1278**

An Act to Change the Taxation of Rental Tangible Personal Property to Make It Consistent with the Predominant Method in Other States' Rental Industry Laws for Sales and Use Tax. (Presented by Representative TERRY of Gorham)

**L.D. 2001, H.P. 1279**

An Act to Establish the African American Studies Advisory Council and Require Funding for African American Studies. (Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

**L.D. 2002, H.P. 1280**

An Act to Provide Incentives to Schools That Contract for Certain Social Work and Family Therapy Services. (Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

**L.D. 2003, S.P. 825**

An Act to Protect Access to Maine's Intertidal Zone. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

(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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