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## **BILLS PRINTED AS OF FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2023**

### **L.D. 887, S.P. 378**

An Act to Amend the Regulation of Mobile Home Parks. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

### **L.D. 888, S.P. 379**

An Act to Allow Use of Courthouse Facility Dogs by Criminal Justice Agencies for Criminal Justice Purposes. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

### **L.D. 889, S.P. 381**

An Act to Better Support the Educational Attainment of Low and Moderate-income Communities by Providing Additional Funding to Certain School Administrative Units. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

### **L.D. 890, S.P. 382**

An Act to Create the Child Care Provider Student Loan Repayment Fund. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

### **L.D. 891, S.P. 383**

An Act to Protect Due Process for Certain Public Sector Employees. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

### **L.D. 892, S.P. 384**

An Act to Improve School Safety and Preparedness Through Comprehensive Health and Safety and Emergency Management Planning. (Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

### **L.D. 893, S.P. 385**

An Act to Amend the Legislative Membership of the Hancock County Budget Advisory Committee. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock)

### **L.D. 894, S.P. 386**

An Act to Preserve Heating and Energy Choice by Prohibiting a Municipality from Prohibiting a Particular Energy System or Energy Distributor. (Presented by Senator HARRINGTON of York)

### **L.D. 895, S.P. 387**

An Act to Establish Culturally Informed Reentry or Reintegration Halfway Houses. (Presented by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin)

### **L.D. 896, S.P. 388**

An Act to Exempt Nonprofit Agricultural Membership Organizations from Insurance Requirements. (Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

### **L.D. 897, H.P. 553**

An Act Regarding the University of Maine System Hiring Practices. (Presented by Representative COLLINGS of Portland)

### **L.D. 898, H.P. 554**

Resolve, to Increase the Reimbursement Rate for Foster Parents by 20 Percent. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative COLLINGS of Portland)

### **L.D. 899, H.P. 555**

An Act to Authorize Vaccine Administration by Pharmacy Technicians and Reduce Vaccine Administration Training Requirements for Pharmacists. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative NUTTING of Oakland)

### **L.D. 900, H.P. 556**

An Act to Modernize the State Motor Vehicle Inspection Program. (Presented by Representative WHITE of Waterville)

**L.D. 901, H.P. 557**

Resolve, to Establish a Pilot Project to Support Farm Apprenticeships in Maine. (Presented by Representative OSHER of Orono)

**L.D. 902, H.P. 558**

An Act to Repeal So-called MaineCare Expansion. (Presented by Representative LEMELIN of Chelsea)

**L.D. 903, H.P. 559**

An Act to Establish Parity in Tipping Laws for Restaurant Workers. (Presented by Representative SKOLD of Portland)

**L.D. 904, H.P. 560**

An Act Supporting the Rural Health Care Workforce in Maine. (Presented by Representative OSHER of Orono)

**L.D. 905, H.P. 561**

An Act to Expand Energy Choice Through Municipal Utilities. (Presented by Representative GEIGER of Rockland)

**L.D. 906, H.P. 562**

An Act to Ensure Physicians Receive Full Diagnostic Test Data Concerning Tick-borne Diseases. (Presented by Representative SHAGOURY of Hallowell)

**L.D. 907, H.P. 563**

An Act to Meet the Needs of Individuals with Severe Behavioral Health Diagnoses. (Presented by Representative STOVER of Boothbay)

**L.D. 908, H.P. 564**

Resolve, to Establish a Comprehensive Integrated Co-occurring Behavioral Health Home Model Within the MaineCare Program. (Presented by Representative STOVER of Boothbay)

**L.D. 909, H.P. 565**

An Act to Amend the Laws Regulating the Operation of the Legislature. (Presented by Representative TERRY of Gorham)

**L.D. 910, H.P. 566**

An Act to Amend the Laws of Maine. (Presented by Representative TERRY of Gorham)

**L.D. 911, H.P. 567**

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Certain Law Enforcement Interactions and Tools for Determining Residency During Conflict Resolution. (Presented by Representative HENDERSON of Rumford)

**L.D. 912, H.P. 568**

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Restore Historic Community Buildings. (Presented by Representative MILLETT of Waterford)

**L.D. 913, H.P. 569**

An Act to Support First Responders. (Presented by Representative TERRY of Gorham)

**L.D. 914, H.P. 570**

An Act to Amend the Duties of the Office of Affordable Health Care. (Submitted by the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services pursuant to Resolve 2021, chapter 177, section 8.)

**L.D. 915, H.P. 571**

Resolve, to Establish the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study the Organization of and Service Delivery by the Department of Health and Human Services. (Presented by Representative SHAGOURY of Hallowell)

**L.D. 916, H.P. 572**

An Act to Establish a Windfall Profits Tax on Electric Utilities to Assist with Residential Heating Costs. (Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco)

**L.D. 917, H.P. 573**

An Act to Validate Certain Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds and Notes by the City of Rockland. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative GEIGER of Rockland)

**L.D. 918, S.P. 389**

An Act to Decrease the Minimum Age to Operate a School Bus. (Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford)

**L.D. 919, S.P. 390**

An Act to Facilitate Employment in the Field of Emergency Medical Services. (Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock)

**L.D. 920, S.P. 391**

An Act to Allow Holders of Elver Fishing Licenses to Fish on Behalf of Other Elver Fishing License Holders. (Presented by Senator RENY of Lincoln)

**L.D. 921, S.P. 392**

An Act to Allow the Local Foods Fund for Public Schools to Be Used for Processed and Value-added Maine Food Products. (Presented by Senator RENY of Lincoln)

**L.D. 922, S.P. 393**

An Act to Clarify Required Disclosure of Personally Identifying Information for Certain Nominating Petitions. (Presented by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin)

**L.D. 923, S.P. 394**

An Act to Improve Disclosure of Present and Future Costs to Maine Electricity Consumers. (Presented by Senator GROHOSKI of Hancock)

**L.D. 924, S.P. 395**

Resolve, to Provide Legislative Approval of Northern Maine Transmission Infrastructure. (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

**L.D. 925, S.P. 396**

An Act to Allow the Baileyville Utilities District to Disconnect Water Service for a Customer's Failure to Pay for Sewer Service Provided by the Town of Baileyville. (Presented by Senator MOORE of Washington)

**L.D. 926, S.P. 397**

An Act to Improve Maine Public Employees Retirement System Representation. (Presented by Senator TIPPING of Penobscot)

**L.D. 927, H.P. 574**

Resolve, Directing the Commissioner of Professional and Financial Regulation to Conduct an Independent Assessment Regarding a Proposal to License Genetic Counselors. (Submitted by the Advisory Panel to Better Understand and Make Recommendations Regarding the Implications of Genome-editing Technology for the Citizens of the State pursuant to Resolve 2021, chapter 177, section 8.)

**L.D. 928, H.P. 575**

RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Establish a Right to a Clean and Healthy Environment. (Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco)

**L.D. 929, H.P. 576**

An Act to Allow Lifetime Hunting and Fishing License Holders to Hunt Any Deer as a Part of Their Lifetime License. (Presented by Representative ADAMS of Lebanon)

**L.D. 930, H.P. 577**

An Act to Allow Only Students of Female Gender to Participate in Women's and Girls' Scholastic Sports. (Presented by Representative ADAMS of Lebanon)

**L.D. 931, H.P. 578**

An Act to Expand the State's Workforce by Supporting the Transition from Incarceration to Employment. (Presented by Representative SAYRE of Kennebunk)

**L.D. 932, H.P. 579**

An Act Requiring Climate Impact Notes on Proposed Transportation Legislation and Agency Rules. (Presented by Representative WARREN of Scarborough)

**L.D. 933, H.P. 580**

An Act Requiring Proof of a Motorcycle License Endorsement or Learner's Permit in Order to Register a Motorcycle. (Presented by Representative PAUL of Winterport)

**L.D. 934, H.P. 581**

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Damages Awarded for Wrongful Death. (Presented by Representative MOONEN of Portland)

**L.D. 935, H.P. 582**

An Act to Remove Barriers to Abortion Coverage in Private Insurance. (Presented by Representative MOONEN of Portland)

**L.D. 936, H.P. 583**

An Act to Require Disclosure of Pay Ranges and Record Keeping of Pay History. (Presented by Representative ROEDER of Bangor)

**L.D. 937, H.P. 584**

Resolve, to Establish the Commission Regarding Foreign-trained Physicians Living in Maine. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative CLOUTIER of Lewiston)

**L.D. 938, H.P. 585**

An Act to Assist Nursing Homes in the Management of Facility Beds. (Presented by Representative PERRY of Calais)

**L.D. 939, H.P. 586**

An Act to Support Environmental Justice by Requiring Certain Notice Requirements for Whistleblower Protections. (Presented by Representative WARREN of Scarborough)

**L.D. 940, H.P. 587**

An Act to Allow Pharmacists to Provide Services Through Telehealth and Vending Machines at Federally Qualified Health Centers. (Presented by Representative PERRY of Calais)

**L.D. 941, H.P. 588**

An Act Facilitating the Efforts of the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority and the Town of Brunswick to Design and Carry Out Improvements to the Storm Water System and Other Infrastructure at the Former Brunswick Naval Air Station (Presented by Representative ANKELES of Brunswick)

**L.D. 942, H.P. 589**

An Act to Ensure the Collection of Complete Information by Adding a 3rd Option for Gender on State Forms. (Presented by Representative SHEEHAN of Biddeford)

**L.D. 943, H.P. 590**

An Act to Enhance Privacy and Prohibit Shipping Companies from Maintaining Records of Firearm and Ammunition Shipments. (Presented by Representative ARDELL of Monticello)

**L.D. 944, H.P. 591**

An Act to Allow Refugees, Asylees and Asylum Seekers to Qualify for In-state Tuition. (Presented by Representative ROEDER of Bangor)

**L.D. 945, H.P. 592**

An Act to Allow Maine Families to Increase Their Savings by Removing Asset Limits for Eligibility for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program. (Presented by Representative MEYER of Eliot)

**L.D. 946, H.P. 593**

An Act Regarding Unemployment Benefits for Part-time Faculty at Public Colleges and Universities. (Presented by Representative ROEDER of Bangor)

**L.D. 947, H.P. 594**

An Act to Support the Distribution of Free Summer Lunches for Children and to Create a Program to Distribute Leftover School Food Within Communities. (Presented by Representative WARREN of Scarborough)

**L.D. 948, H.P. 595**

An Act to Create a Liaison Position Between the Department of Education and the Department of Health and Human Services on Early Childhood Education Matters. (Presented by Representative COLLAMORE of Pittsfield)

**L.D. 949, H.P. 596**

An Act to Protect Workers from Employer Surveillance. (Presented by Representative ROEDER of Bangor)

**L.D. 950, H.P. 597**

An Act to Define "Kickboxing" and "Muay Thai" in the Laws Governing Mixed Martial Arts and Boxing. (Presented by Representative COLLAMORE of Pittsfield)

**L.D. 951, H.P. 598**

An Act to Amend the State Education Funding Formula to Create Equity Between Municipalities by Adding Median Income to the Formula. (Presented by Representative GEIGER of Rockland)

**L.D. 952, H.P. 599**

An Act to Create a 21st-Century Electric Grid. (Presented by Representative RUNTE of York)

**L.D. 953, H.P. 600**

An Act to Protect Maine Patients Regarding Hospital Price Transparency. (Presented by Representative LIBBY of Auburn)

**L.D. 954, H.P. 601**

An Act to Improve Indoor Air Quality at Child Care Facilities. (Presented by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth)

**L.D. 955, H.P. 602**

An Act to Address Shortages of School Support Staff by Increasing the Minimum Hourly Wage for Those Staff. (Presented by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth)

**L.D. 956, H.P. 603**

An Act Concerning Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Data Collection in Health Care Facilities. (Presented by Representative RANA of Bangor)

**L.D. 957, H.P. 604**

An Act Requiring Water Bottle Filling Stations in New and Renovated Public Schools. (Presented by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth)

**L.D. 958, H.P. 605**

An Act to Expand Protections to Maine's Loons from Lead Poisoning by Prohibiting the Sale and Use of Certain Painted Lead Jigs. (Presented by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich)

**L.D. 959, H.P. 606**

An Act to Prohibit Food Waste by Grocery Stores. (Presented by Representative MILLIKEN of Blue Hill)

**L.D. 960, H.P. 607**

An Act Regarding the Limits on Civil Remedies Available Under the Maine Human Rights Act. (Presented by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro)

**L.D. 961, H.P. 608**

An Act Regarding the Right to Request Flexible Working Arrangements for Employees. (Presented by Representative WARREN of Scarborough)

**L.D. 962, H.P. 609**

An Act to Lower the Amount of Seized Currency in a Criminal Asset Forfeiture over Which the Currency May Be Transferred to the Federal Government. (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington)

**L.D. 963, H.P. 610**

An Act to Require Reporting and Training About Domestic Terrorism Threats. (Presented by Representative MALON of Biddeford)

**L.D. 964, H.P. 611**

An Act to Eliminate the Paint Stewardship Assessment Paid by Consumers. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative UNDERWOOD of Presque Isle)

**L.D. 965, H.P. 612**

An Act to Subsidize Hydroelectric Power. (Presented by Representative ADAMS of Lebanon)

**L.D. 966, H.P. 613**

An Act to Align the Automobile Title Requirements with Those of Antique Automobiles. (Presented by Representative GREENWOOD of Wales)

**L.D. 967, H.P. 614**

An Act to Strengthen Protections of Persons After a Maine Human Rights Commission Investigation Finds No Reasonable Grounds Exist to Believe Unlawful Discrimination Occurred. (Presented by Representative GREENWOOD of Wales)

**L.D. 968, H.P. 615**

An Act Regarding Restitution by Persons Convicted of Trafficking in Illegal Drugs. (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington)

**L.D. 969, H.P. 616**

An Act to Implement Requirements for Certain Bills. (Presented by Representative ADAMS of Lebanon)

**L.D. 970, H.P. 617**

An Act to Provide for the Humane Treatment of Chickens. (Presented by Representative CARMICHAEL of Greenbush)

**L.D. 971, H.P. 618**

An Act to Establish the Income Tax Relief Fund for Maine Residents. (Presented by Representative CARMICHAEL of Greenbush)

**L.D. 972, H.P. 619**

Resolve, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection to Evaluate Strategies for Improving the Returnable Beverage Container Laws. (Presented by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach)

**L.D. 973, H.P. 620**

An Act to Create the Recovery Friendly Workplace Program. (Presented by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle)

**L.D. 974, H.P. 621**

An Act to Establish Minimum Pay for Educational Technicians and Other School Support Staff. (Presented by Representative CROCKETT of Portland)

**L.D. 975, H.P. 622**

An Act to Align Maine's Elevator Safety Laws with Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code Standards. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative CROCKETT of Portland)

**L.D. 976, H.P. 623**

Resolve, to Establish the Task Force on Accessibility to Appropriate Communication Methods for Deaf and Hard-of-hearing Patients. (Presented by Representative DODGE of Belfast)

**L.D. 977, H.P. 624**

Resolve, to Study the Gasoline Tax Allocations for Nonhighway Recreational Vehicles and Make Recommendations for Changes. (Presented by Representative LANDRY of Farmington)

**L.D. 978, H.P. 625**

An Act to Maintain Legislative Oversight of the Maine Medical Use of Cannabis Program by Requiring Major Substantive Rulemaking. (Presented by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor)

**L.D. 979, H.P. 626**

Resolve, to Fund Treatment Services and Certain Transportation Costs for Individuals with Substance Use Disorder. (Presented by Representative CRAFTS of Newcastle)

**L.D. 980, S.P. 399**

An Act Regarding Disabled Motor Vehicles on Public Ways. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

**L.D. 981, S.P. 400**

An Act to Require All Emergency Medical Services Persons to Be Trained in the Dispensing of Naloxone Hydrochloride. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

**L.D. 982, S.P. 401**

An Act to Allow the Disclosure of Death Certificate Data to Hospitals and Health Care Practitioners. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

**L.D. 983, S.P. 402**

An Act to Exempt Maine from Daylight Saving Time. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

**L.D. 984, S.P. 403**

An Act to Expand Access to the Homestead Property Tax Exemption. (Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland)

**L.D. 985, S.P. 404**

Resolve, to Require the Department of Health and Human Services to Provide Additional Reimbursement to Maine Veterans' Homes. (Presented by Senator FARRIN of Somerset)

**L.D. 986, S.P. 405**

An Act to Ensure Safer Communities by Increasing the Punishment for Crimes Involving Fentanyl. (Presented by Senator FARRIN of Somerset)

**L.D. 987, S.P. 406**

An Act to Promote Electricity Price Stability for Standard-offer Service. (Presented by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

**L.D. 988, S.P. 407**

Resolve, Directing the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry to Conduct an Accessibility Study of All Maine State Parks and Historic Sites and to Develop a Plan to Remove Access Barriers. (Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

**L.D. 989, S.P. 408**

Resolve, Directing the University of Maine System to Study the Potential Effects of the State's Adopting Atlantic Standard Time. (Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford)

(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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