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## **BILLS PRINTED AS OF FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2023**

### **L.D. 194, S.P. 100**

An Act to Update and Clarify the Public Utilities Commission's Reporting Requirements. (Presented by Senator LAWRENCE of York)

### **L.D. 195, H.P. 119**

An Act to Exempt Gold Star Parents from Income Tax. (Presented by Representative HAGGAN of Hampden)

### **L.D. 196, H.P. 120**

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission for Amending the Maine Uniform Probate Code and Related Provisions of Law. (Submitted by the Probate and Trust Law Advisory Commission pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 18-C, section 1-803, subsection 2.)

### **L.D. 197, H.P. 121**

An Act to Address Employee Retention at the Maine State Police Crime Laboratory and the Computer Crimes Unit in the Department of Public Safety. (Presented by Representative COLLINGS of Portland)

### **L.D. 198, H.P. 122**

An Act to Provide MaineCare Coverage for Doula Services. (Presented by Representative MATHIESON of Kittery)

### **L.D. 199, H.P. 123**

An Act to Improve the Health of Maine Residents by Removing Exclusions to the MaineCare Program. (Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

### **L.D. 200, H.P. 124**

An Act to Require Medicaid Coverage for Certain Children Under 7 Years of Age. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

### **L.D. 201, S.P. 101**

An Act to Make Permanent the Ability of Certain Retailers and Distilleries to Sell Liquor for Off-premises Consumption and Cocktails for On-premises Consumption. (Presented by Senator FARRIN of Somerset)

### **L.D. 202, S.P. 102**

An Act to Clarify the Requirements for Off-premises Sales by Cannabis Store Licensees. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Senator PIERCE of Cumberland)

### **L.D. 203, S.P. 103**

An Act to Exempt Certain Motor Vehicle Dealers from Display Area Size Requirements. (Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

### **L.D. 204, S.P. 104**

An Act to Ensure Safe Access to Schools by Implementing Interlocking Door Controller Technology. (Presented by Senator STEWART of Aroostook)

### **L.D. 205, S.P. 105**

An Act to Update the Reimbursement for Travel-related Expenses Incurred as a Result of the Performance of Legislative Duties. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook)

### **L.D. 206, H.P. 127**

An Act to Make Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations from the General Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023. (EMERGENCY) (Governor's Bill) (Presented by Representative SACHS of Freeport)

**L.D. 207, H.P. 128**

An Act to Transfer Responsibility for Administering the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code from the Department of Public Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal to the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation. (Presented by Representative MORRIS of Turner)

**L.D. 208, H.P. 129**

An Act Concerning Home Care Services. (Presented by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston)

**L.D. 209, H.P. 130**

An Act to Authorize an Interim Use Trail on the Berlin Subdivision Rail Corridor. (Presented by Representative BELL of Yarmouth)

**L.D. 210, H.P. 131**

An Act to Expand the List of Persons Exempt from the Real Estate Transfer Tax. (Presented by Representative HASENFUS of Readfield)

**L.D. 211, H.P. 132**

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Water Supply Protection Funds. (Presented by Representative FAY of Raymond)

**L.D. 212, H.P. 133**

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Upgrade Municipal Culverts at Stream Crossings. (Presented by Representative FAY of Raymond)

**L.D. 213, H.P. 134**

An Act to Maintain the Authority of the Maine School for Marine Science, Technology, Transportation and Engineering. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington)

**L.D. 214, H.P. 135**

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Zoning and Land Use Restrictions to Limit Certain Requirements to Municipalities with a Population of More than 10,000. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington)

**L.D. 215, H.P. 136**

Resolve, to Require the Commissioner of Public Safety to Conduct a Study Regarding Cadet Law Enforcement Officers Who Are Injured and Law Enforcement Officers Who Leave the Sponsoring Agency. (Presented by Representative PERKINS of Dover-Foxcroft)

**L.D. 216, H.P. 137**

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Storm Water Management to Provide an Exemption for Trails for Hiking and Other Similar Activities. (Presented by Representative BELL of Yarmouth)

**L.D. 217, H.P. 138**

An Act to Support Manufacturers Whose Products Contain Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances. (Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Orrington)

**L.D. 218, H.P. 139**

An Act to Clarify Maine Law Regarding Background Checks for the Office of Child and Family Services. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

**L.D. 219, H.P. 140**

An Act to Promote Equity in the Permitting Appeals Process. (Presented by Representative BRADSTREET of Vassalboro)

**L.D. 220, H.P. 141**

An Act to Support Maine's Potato Farmers and Processors. (Presented by Representative GUERRETTE of Caribou)

**L.D. 221, H.P. 142**

An Act Regarding Airboat Noise. (Presented by Representative HEPLER of Woolwich)

**L.D. 222, H.P. 143**

An Act to Require Students to Demonstrate Knowledge of the Constitution of Maine and the United States Constitution. (Presented by Representative GRIFFIN of Levant)

**L.D. 223, H.P. 144**

Resolve, Directing the Department of Health and Human Services to Amend Its Rules Regarding Pharmacy Services. (Presented by Representative ZAGER of Portland)

**L.D. 224, H.P. 145**

An Act to Strengthen Maine's Health Care Workforce by Preventing Discrimination by Requiring Maintenance of Certification for Insurance Reimbursement. (Presented by Representative ZAGER of Portland)

**L.D. 225, H.P. 146**

An Act to Expand the Reimbursement to Hospitals for Days Awaiting Placement in Facilities. (Presented by Representative PERRY of Calais)

**L.D. 226, H.P. 147**

An Act to Address Maine's Affordable Housing Crisis. (Presented by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth)

**L.D. 227, H.P. 148**

An Act Regarding Health Care in the State. (Presented by Representative PERRY of Calais)

**L.D. 228, H.P. 149**

An Act to Require Substance Use Disorder to Be Disclosed as a Cause of Death on Death Certificates. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

**L.D. 229, H.P. 150**

An Act to Compensate Tribal Governments for Basic Training for a Law Enforcement Officer Hired by Another Government Agency. (Presented by Representative DILL of Old Town)

**L.D. 230, H.P. 151**

Resolve, to Require the Maine National Guard to Sell Certain Property in Hallowell. (Presented by Representative SHAGOURY of Hallowell)

**L.D. 231, H.P. 152**

An Act to Support the Maine Pediatric and Behavioral Health Partnership Program. (Presented by Representative SHAGOURY of Hallowell)

**L.D. 232, H.P. 153**

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Bonding Restrictions for School Administrative Units. (Presented by Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick)

**L.D. 233, H.P. 154**

An Act to Ensure Efficiency in Petitions Reviewed by the Secretary of State by Clarifying Deadlines Related to Those Petitions. (Presented by Representative SUPICA of Bangor)

**L.D. 234, H.P. 155**

An Act to Raise from 12 to 24 the Annual Limit on the Number of Public Events and Meals Nonprofit Organizations May Have That Are Exempt from Certain Rules and Regulations. (Presented by Representative ZEIGLER of Montville)

**L.D. 235, H.P. 156**

An Act to Promote Economic Development in the Fishing Industry by Funding a Dredging Project in Portland Harbor. (Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

**L.D. 236, H.P. 157**

An Act to Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Support the Economic Development of the Fishing Industry and the Portland Harbor Dredging Project. (Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland)

**L.D. 237, H.P. 158**

An Act to Require a Registered Voter to Update the Registration. (Presented by Representative GRIFFIN of Levant)

**L.D. 238, H.P. 159**

An Act to Create a Program for Mortgage Assistance for Persons with Illnesses Related to COVID-19. (Presented by Representative GRIFFIN of Levant)

**L.D. 239, H.P. 160**

An Act to Establish the Hessel's Hairstreak as the Maine State Butterfly. (Presented by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach)

**L.D. 240, H.P. 161**

An Act to Increase Public Access to Utilities. (Presented by Representative ZEIGLER of Montville)

**L.D. 241, H.P. 162**

An Act to Reform Education. (Presented by Representative BAGSHAW of Windham)

**L.D. 242, S.P. 108**

An Act to Clarify That Animal Health Products Are Exempt from the Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Reporting Law. (Presented by Senator BALDACCI of Penobscot)

**L.D. 243, S.P. 109**

An Act To Eliminate Residency Requirements for District Court Judicial Appointments. (Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland)

**L.D. 244, S.P. 110**

Resolve, Directing Maine Emergency Medical Services to Convene a Stakeholder Group to Explore Emergency Medical Services Career Pathways and Educational Opportunities in the State. (Presented by Senator CURRY of Waldo)

**L.D. 245, S.P. 111**

An Act to Require a Person Receiving Unemployment Benefits to Attend Scheduled Interviews to Fulfill the Work Search Requirement. (Presented by Senator GUERIN of Penobscot)

**L.D. 246, S.P. 112**

An Act to Amend the Campaign Finance Laws. (Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec)

**L.D. 247, S.P. 113**

An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Elections. (Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec)

**L.D. 248, S.P. 114**

An Act to Amend the State's Liquor Laws. (Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec)

**L.D. 249, S.P. 115**

An Act to Amend the Campaign Finance Laws Regarding Political Action Committees. (Presented by Senator HICKMAN of Kennebec)

**L.D. 250, S.P. 116**

An Act to Improve Housing by Increasing Housing Options. (Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec)

**L.D. 251, S.P. 117**

Resolve, to Classify Employee Health Insurance as a Fixed Cost for MaineCare Reimbursement in Nursing Facilities. (Presented by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin)

**L.D. 252, S.P. 118**

An Act Relating to Long-term Care Pharmacies. (Presented by Senator VITELLI of Sagadahoc)

**L.D. 253, S.P. 119**

An Act to Add Health and Physical Education Requirements to High School Diploma Standards. (Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

**L.D. 254, S.P. 120**

An Act to Update the Sex Education and Consent Curriculum. (Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

**L.D. 255, S.P. 121**

An Act to Require Campaign Finance Reports for State and County Candidates Other than Governor to Be Filed on the 42nd Day Before Any Election. (Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

**L.D. 256, S.P. 122**

An Act to Add Electric Bicycles to the Electric Vehicle Rebate Program. (Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

**L.D. 257, S.P. 123**

An Act to Provide for a Later Starting Time for High Schools. (Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

**L.D. 258, H.P. 163**

An Act Making Unified Appropriations and Allocations from the General Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2023, June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2025. (EMERGENCY) (Governor's Bill) (Presented by Representative SACHS of Freeport)

**L.D. 259, H.P. 164**

An Act Making Unified Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2023, June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2025. (EMERGENCY) (Governor's Bill) (Presented by Representative SACHS of Freeport)

**L.D. 260, H.P. 165**

An Act to Make Supplemental Allocations from the Highway Fund and Other Funds for the Expenditures of State Government and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023. (EMERGENCY) (Governor's Bill) (Presented by Representative SACHS of Freeport)

**L.D. 261, H.P. 166**

An Act to Reinstate a Minimum Age for Hunting. (Presented by Representative STROUT of Harrington)

**L.D. 262, H.P. 167**

An Act to Strengthen Maine's Workforce. (Presented by Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick)

**L.D. 263, H.P. 168**

An Act to Ensure Access to Health Care. (Presented by Representative SACHS of Freeport)

**L.D. 264, H.P. 169**

An Act to Clarify the Process for Admission to the Bar on Motion. (Presented by Representative MORIARTY of Cumberland)

**L.D. 265, H.P. 170**

An Act to Provide Support Services for Military Members Transitioning to Civilian Life in Maine. (Presented by Representative TERRY of Gorham)

**L.D. 266, S.P. 125**

An Act to Increase Consumer Choice and Reduce Motor Vehicle Emissions in Maine. (Presented by Senator CARNEY of Cumberland)

**L.D. 267, S.P. 126**

An Act to Require Private Insurance Coverage for Donor Breast Milk. (Presented by Senator BRENNER of Cumberland)

**L.D. 268, S.P. 127**

An Act to Establish a 45-day Municipal Residency Requirement for General Assistance Programs. (Presented by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin)

**L.D. 269, S.P. 128**

An Act to Designate Granitic Pegmatite as the Maine State Rock. (Presented by Senator KEIM of Oxford)

**L.D. 270, S.P. 129**

An Act to Help Retired Federal Employees. (Presented by Senator DAUGHTRY of Cumberland)

**L.D. 271, S.P. 130**

An Act Requiring the University of Maine System and the Maine Community College System to Offer a For-credit Course on Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting and Trapping. (Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec)

**L.D. 272, S.P. 131**

An Act Regarding the Issuance of Driver's Licenses to Persons with Obstructive Sleep Apnea. (Presented by Senator POULIOT of Kennebec)

**L.D. 273, H.P. 171**

An Act to Provide Funds to the Malaga 1912 Scholarship Fund. (Presented by Representative ZAGER of Portland)

**L.D. 274, H.P. 172**

An Act Regarding Municipal Costs for Water Used for Firefighting. (Presented by Representative ANKELES of Brunswick)

**L.D. 275, H.P. 173**

Resolve, to Require the Maine Board of Pharmacy to Review Work Practices and Treatment of Pharmacists. (Presented by Representative O'CONNELL of Brewer)

**L.D. 276, H.P. 174**

An Act to Assist Municipalities in Preventing Damage from Storm Water. (Presented by Representative ANKELES of Brunswick)

**L.D. 277, H.P. 175**

An Act Regarding Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances. (Presented by Representative FAY of Raymond)

**L.D. 278, H.P. 176**

An Act to Require Health Plans to Cover an Annual Mental Health Wellness Examination. (Presented by Representative OSHER of Orono)

**L.D. 279, H.P. 177**

An Act to Protect Against Discrimination by Public Entities. (Presented by Speaker TALBOT ROSS of Portland)

**L.D. 280, H.P. 178**

An Act to Make Maine Schools Safer and Healthier by Increasing the Maximum Debt Service Limit. (Presented by Representative MILLETT of Cape Elizabeth)

**L.D. 281, H.P. 179**

An Act to Require Ski Area Safety Plans and Reporting. (Presented by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor)

**L.D. 282, H.P. 180**

An Act to Allow the Department of Health and Human Services to Authorize Standing Orders. (Presented by Representative GRAHAM of North Yarmouth)

**L.D. 283, H.P. 181**

An Act to Make Technical Changes to the Maine Tax Laws. (Presented by Representative MATLACK of St. George)

**L.D. 284, H.P. 182**

An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Maine Workforce, Research, Development and Student Achievement Institute. (Presented by Representative ROBERTS of South Berwick)

**L.D. 285, H.P. 183**

An Act to Remove the Requirement for Wild Blueberry Transportation Permits. (EMERGENCY) (Presented by Representative PERRY of Calais)

**L.D. 286, H.P. 184**

An Act to Authorize the Use of Tax Increment Financing Funds for Constructing or Renovating Municipal Offices and Other Municipal Buildings. (Presented by Representative CARLOW of Buxton)

**L.D. 287, H.P. 185**

An Act to Support Parents by Providing a Sales Tax Exemption for Diapers. (Presented by Representative MURPHY of Scarborough)

**L.D. 288, H.P. 186**

An Act Concerning Housing and Support Services for At-risk Youth and Youth Who Have Committed Juvenile Crimes. (Presented by Representative LOOKNER of Portland)

**L.D. 289, H.P. 187**

An Act to Require the State to Purchase Farms Contaminated with Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances. (Presented by Representative PARRY of Arundel)

**L.D. 290, H.P. 188**

An Act to Amend the Maine Insurance Code as It Relates to Pet Insurance. (Presented by Representative MORRIS of Turner)

**L.D. 291, H.P. 189**

An Act to Support Young People Affected by Substance Use Disorder. (Presented by Representative LaROCHELLE of Augusta)

**L.D. 292, H.P. 190**

An Act to Establish Maine Needham Day. (Presented by Representative O'NEIL of Saco)

**L.D. 293, H.P. 191**

An Act to Revise the School Funding Formula. (Presented by Representative DUCHARME of Madison)

**L.D. 294, H.P. 192**

An Act to Include a Tribal Member in the Baxter State Park Authority. (Presented by Representative COLLINGS of Portland)

**L.D. 295, H.P. 193**

An Act Regarding Plastic Pollution. (Presented by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach)

**L.D. 296, H.P. 194**

An Act to Ensure Municipalities Receive a Higher Percentage of All-terrain Vehicle Registration Fees to Cover Increased Expenses. (Presented by Representative NEWMAN of Belgrade)

**L.D. 297, H.P. 195**

An Act to Reduce Electric Rate Increases Due to Renewable Energy Credits. (Presented by Representative FOSTER of Dexter)

**L.D. 298, H.P. 196**

An Act to Study the Shared Use of the Public Right of Way. (Presented by Representative WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor)

**L.D. 299, H.P. 197**

An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Health and Human Services. (Presented by Representative MEYER of Eliot)

**L.D. 300, H.P. 198**

An Act to Establish Pilot Initiatives to Promote, Grow and Sustain Adult Day Care and Respite Programs in Maine. (Presented by Representative CRAVEN of Lewiston)

**L.D. 301, H.P. 199**

An Act to Exempt Employers from Providing Earned Paid Leave for Certain Employees. (Presented by Representative POIRIER of Skowhegan)

**L.D. 302, H.P. 200**

An Act to Ensure Sufficient Rates for Behavioral Health Services. (Presented by Representative MADIGAN of Waterville)

**L.D. 303, H.P. 201**

An Act to Provide Health Insurance, Reduce Administrative Burdens, Reduce Costs and Improve Health Outcomes. (Presented by Representative PRINGLE of Windham)

**L.D. 304, H.P. 202**

An Act to Establish Statewide Standards for Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances. (Presented by Representative HYMES of Waldo)

**L.D. 305, H.P. 203**

An Act to Provide Youth Lifetime Hunting Licenses to Eligible Dependents of Veterans Who Are 100 Percent Disabled. (Presented by Representative HYMES of Waldo)

**L.D. 306, H.P. 204**

An Act Related to Water. (Presented by Representative GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach)

**L.D. 307, H.P. 205**

An Act to Lower the State's Health Care Costs. (Presented by Representative MORRIS of Turner)

**L.D. 308, H.P. 206**

An Act to Require That Insurance Companies Notify Workers over 65 Years of Age of Potential High Costs. (Presented by Representative MORRIS of Turner)

**L.D. 309, H.P. 207**

An Act to Ensure Equitable Access to All Higher Education Institutions. (Presented by Representative COLLAMORE of Pittsfield)

**L.D. 310, H.P. 208**

An Act to Increase the Workforce in the State. (Presented by Representative COLLAMORE of Pittsfield)

(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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