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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 109TH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " # to H.P. 414, L.D. 514, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Furloughs for Inmates of County Jails."

Amend the Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in its place the following:

'34 MRSA §1008, first paragraph, as enacted by PL 1975, c. 191, §2, is amended by adding at the end a new sentence to read:

Furlough may also be granted for any other reason consistent with the treatment and rehabilitation of an inmate or prisoner who has been sentenced to the county jail for more than 60 days, has served at least 1/3 of his sentence, has obeyed all the rules and regulations and who meets guidelines which the sheriff shall establish for such purposes; no such furlough shall be granted more often than once a month.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment clarifies the conditions under which sheriffs can grant furloughs for other than visits to dying relatives or medical services.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Health and Institutional Services
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