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House of Representatives, March 12, 2013

An Act To Ensure Increased Wages for Wabanaki Tribal Members

Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative BEAR of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

- **Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §664, sub-§1,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 640, §4, is further amended to read:
- 1. Minimum wage. The minimum hourly wage is \$6.50 per hour. Starting October 1, 2006, the minimum hourly wage is \$6.75 per hour. Starting October 1, 2007, the minimum hourly wage is \$7.00 per hour. Starting October 1, 2008, the minimum hourly wage is \$7.50 per hour. Starting October 1, 2009, the minimum hourly wage is \$7.50 per hour. Starting October 1, 2013, the minimum hourly wage for members of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, Passamaquoddy Tribe, Penobscot Nation and Aroostook Band of Micmacs is \$10.00 per hour. If the highest federal minimum wage is increased in excess of the minimum wage in effect under this section, the minimum wage under this section is increased to the same amount, effective on the same date as the increase in the federal minimum wage, but in no case may the minimum wage exceed the minimum wage otherwise in effect under this section by more than \$1 per hour.

15 SUMMARY

This bill raises the state minimum wage to \$10.00 per hour for members of the Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians, Passamaquoddy Tribe, Penobscot Nation and Aroostook Band of Micmacs.