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LD 696 / HP0508

Original Title: An Act To Prohibit Solitary Confinement in Maine's Corrections System.
New Title: An Act To Define "Solitary Confinement". Presented by Representative LOOKNER of Portland. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. Public Hearings 04/05/21, 02/09/22. Majority (OTP-AM) Report Accepted 04/12/22. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) H-846. Carried Over: 07/19/21. Final Disposition: Died Between Houses 04/19/22.

Original Bill

[LD 696 \(130th Legis. 2021\)](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

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[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(CJPS\) \(04/05/2021\)](#)

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New Drafts and Amendments

[Amendment CA \(H-0846\) \(LD 696 2022\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment SA/CA \(S-0540\) \(LD 696 2022\)](#)

[Amendment HA/CA \(H-1008\) \(LD 696 2022\)](#)

Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, March 10, 2021 \(H-21-105\)](#)

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[SENATE, April 5, 2022 \(S-1731-1784\)](#)

p. S-1780 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s)(p1784)) (Amendment(s) H-846)

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[SENATE, April 15, 2022 \(S-1923-1957\)](#)

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p. H-1464 (Amendment(s) H-846, H-1008, S-540)

[HOUSE, April 19, 2022 \(H-1480-1507\)](#)

p. H-1486 (Remarks) (Amendment(s) H-846, H-1008, S-540)

[SENATE, April 20, 2022 \(S-2020-2037\)](#)

p. S-2026 (Amendment(s) H-1008)

News Articles

Maine should ban solitary confinement in its jails, prisons (Rossana Natalini) (Portland Press Herald, 2/3/2022, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/PPH 220203D.pdf)

Lawmakers could ban prison tactic (Callie Ferguson) (Bangor Daily News, 2/8/2022, p. B1, B2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/BDN 220208B.pdf)

Maine's prison chief denies use of solitary confinement (Callie Ferguson) (Bangor Daily News, 2/12/2022, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/BDN 220212-13D.pdf)

Misconceptions partly to blame for use of solitary confinement (Amanda Swanberg) (Bangor Daily News, 2/14/2022, p. B1, B2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/BDN 220214E.pdf)

Lawmakers to take up prisoner rights bills, overdose protections (Matt Byrne) (Portland Press Herald, 2/16/2022, p. B1, B3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/PPH 220216G.pdf)

Fresh out of prison, Mainer who suffered in isolation says solitary confinement happens in Pine Tree State (Callie Ferguson) (Bangor Daily News, 3/9/2022, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/BDN 220309B.pdf)

Solitary confinement should be banned (Editorial) (Portland Press Herald, 3/4/2022, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/PPH 220304D.pdf)

Maine prisons should not use isolated segregation (Catherine Besteman) (Kennebec Journal, 3/2/2022, p. A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/KJ 220302A.pdf)

Legislators at impasse on 'solitary confinement' (Kevin Miller) (Bangor Daily News, 4/1/2022, p. A5) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/BDN 220401C.pdf)

Solitary confinement definition a start (Editorial) (Bangor Daily News, 3/24/2022, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/BDN 220324D.pdf)

Solitary confinement reform bill likely to die (Callie Ferguson) (Bangor Daily News, 4/15/2022, p. A1, A10) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 130/LD06xx/nc130-LD-0696/BDN 220415B.pdf)

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