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To Allan L. Robbins, Warden, Maine State Prison Re: Inmate Originally Sentenced to the Men's Reformatory

This is in response to your inquiry, with respect to a particular inmate of your institution, as to the effect of the amendment of the law, upon such inmate, which decreases the time one must serve on being sentenced to the Men's Reformatory.

The request concerns Chapter 23, Sections 66 and 69, of the Revised Statutes of 1944, as amended by Chapter 84 of the Public Laws of 1951 and Chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1951.

The nature of the problem you have presented to us is such that we are compelled to the conclusion that the court is the proper forum to consider the matter and determine the answer. We appreciate uour concern in the matter and would like to be of assistance to you. However, as stated above, the question, as it relates to the time the inmate should serve in the prison, is of such consequence to him that the determination should be that of the court.

James Glynn Frost Deputy Attorney General

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