

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 23, 1967  
Referred to Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Haynes of Camden.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Relating to Authority of Warden of the Maine State Prison to Effect  
Rehabilitative Programming at the State Prison.**

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

**R. S., T. 34, § 701, amended.** Section 701 of Title 34 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end, 4 new paragraphs, to read as follows:

The warden may assign prisoners to projects which in his judgment will enhance their rehabilitation.

Prisoners considered by the warden to be worthy of trust may be permitted outside the prison to participate in activities, which in his judgment, will contribute to their reformation and will assist in preparing them for eventual release.

A work-release program may be established at the prison, subject to rules adopted by the department in which the warden may authorize prisoners to participate prior to parole from the prison. The warden may grant furloughs to prisoners who have been determined by the State Probation and Parole Board to be eligible for parole prior to the effective date of such parole to enable them to visit their families and to establish employment contacts within the State. Such furloughs shall not exceed 7 days and shall be at no cost to the State. No prisoner who has had any prison disciplinary record on the sentence he is serving may be considered for a furlough.

Any prisoner certified by the warden to the county attorney for Knox County to have violated his trust, failed to return at the end of furlough, or escaped from any assignment outside the prison, including work release authorized under this section, shall be prosecuted therefor, and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment for any term of years.