

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1777

H. P. 1343

House of Representatives, April 3, 1973

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Santoro of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-THREE

**AN ACT to Provide for Reduction of Sentence for Inmates of
State Correctional Facilities who Donate Blood.**

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

R. S., T. 34, § 507, additional. Title 34 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 507, to read as follows:

§ 507. Reduction of sentence

A prisoner of any state correctional institution may have his sentence reduced by 5 days for each pint of blood donated by him to any veterans' organization, civil defense unit, blood bank or hospital or to the Armed Forces of the United States or the Red Cross or for the purpose of scientific research. Such reduction of sentence shall be applicable to the minimum sentence of the prisoner. Each prisoner shall be limited to one donation every 6 months. Any reduction of sentence so earned shall not be subject to forfeiture. The blood so donated shall not be used in any way commercially or for a profit. A list of all such blood donors and the amounts of blood donated by each shall be kept by the warden or superintendent of the correctional institution.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Provisions granting "good time" for blood donations by prisoners exist in the statutes of other jurisdictions and have had a beneficial effect.