

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 703

House of Representatives, March 9, 1977

On Motion of Mr. Spencer of Standish referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Connolly of Portland.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT Relating to Setting Determinant Sentences for Inmates Sentenced  
Prior to Enactment of the Maine Criminal Code.**

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

17-A MRSA § 1, sub-§§ 4 and 5 are enacted to read:

4. All persons presently serving sentence at the Maine State Prison, the Maine Correctional Center, and those on parole who were convicted under the former criminal statutes and sentenced under the old law to a split sentence shall have the minimum sentence become the determinate sentence.

5. Upon completion of the determinate sentence, the person shall be discharged from the institution in which he is confined or if on parole, parole supervision shall cease.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The provisions of this bill will allow a parity with those persons being sentenced under the Maine Criminal Code with those confined prior to its enactment. It will also eliminate the need for a parole board to continue as is and thus show a cost savings to the State.