

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 114th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 405

H.P. 293

House of Representatives, February 23, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative KILKELLY of Wiscasset.

Cosponsored by Representative BURKE of Vassalboro, Representative BEGLEY of Waldoboro and Representative BREWER of Boothbay Harbor.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE

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An Act to Allow 15-year-olds to be Employed in Kitchen and Common Areas in Bed and Breakfast Establishments and Inns with less than 20 Rooms.

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(EMERGENCY)



**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, many small inns and bed and breakfast establishments have faced great difficulty in hiring sufficient members of staff for the summer tourist season, and there are minors who are interested in summer employment; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**26 MRSA §773**, as amended by PL 1987, c. 665, §1, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

Notwithstanding this section, minors who are 15 years of age may be employed in kitchens and common areas of inns or bed and breakfast establishments having less than 20 rooms.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

## STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill permits minors who are 15 years of age to be employed in kitchens and common areas of inns or bed and breakfast establishments having less than 20 rooms.