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Submitted by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Joint Rule 24.
Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative PARADIS of Augusta.

Cosponsored by Representative GREENLAW of Standish and Representative OTT of York.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

**An Act to Correct Certain Errors and Inconsistencies in the Maine
Revised Statutes, Title 17-A.**

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

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Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1253, sub-§4, as repealed and replaced by
4 PL 1983, c. 456, §6, is amended to read:

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4. Up to an additional 3 days per month may be deducted in
the case of those inmates committed to the ~~Maine State Prison,~~
8 ~~the Maine Correctional Center or assigned elsewhere by the~~
Department of Corrections, who are assigned work and
10 responsibilities within the institution or program which that are
deemed to be of sufficient importance to warrant those deductions
12 by the institution head in accordance with policy and guidelines
established by the Department of Corrections.

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Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §1253, sub-§5, as repealed and replaced by
16 PL 1983, c. 456, §7, is amended to read:

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5. In addition to the provisions contained in subsection 4,
up to 2 days per month may also be deducted in the case of those
20 inmates assigned to and participating in minimum security
community programs administered by the Department of Corrections
22 ~~outside the Maine State Prison or the Maine Correctional Center.~~
These deductions may also apply in the case of those inmates
24 assigned to or participating in minimum security community
programs through agencies providing services to the Department of
26 Corrections. These deductions may be authorized for work and
responsibilities to include public restitution which that are
28 deemed to be of sufficient importance to warrant those deductions
by the institution head in accordance with the Department of
30 Corrections policy and guidelines.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill deletes statutory wording in the Maine Revised
Statutes, Title 17-A that incorrectly states that inmates are
38 committed to the Maine State Prison or the Maine Correctional
Center instead of to the Department of Corrections. It also
40 provides that all inmates participating in minimum security
community programs must be treated equally in the award of good
42 time credit.