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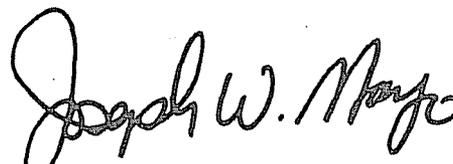
H.P. 1007

House of Representatives, April 28, 1993

**An Act Concerning the Calculation of Periods of Imprisonment.**

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Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative HOLT of Bath.  
Cosponsored by Senator PARADIS of Aroostook and  
Representatives: JOHNSON of South Portland, OLIVER of Portland.

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

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3 Sec. 1. 17-A MRSA §1253, sub-§3, as amended by PL 1991, c.  
4 364, §1, is further amended to read:

6 3. Beginning October 1, ~~1983~~ 1993, a person sentenced to  
7 imprisonment for more than 6 months is entitled to receive a  
8 deduction of ~~10~~ 15 days each month for observing all rules of the  
9 department and institution. The period from which the deduction  
10 is made must be calculated from the first day the person is  
11 delivered into the custody of the department and includes the  
12 full length of the unsuspended portion of the sentence. This  
13 provision does not apply to the suspended portion of the person's  
14 sentence, pursuant to section 1203, nor does it apply to the  
15 suspended portion of a sentence under section 1262.

16 A. Deductions under this subsection must be calculated as  
17 follows for partial months.

Days of partial month	Maximum good time credit available
0 - <del>2</del> <u>days 1 day</u>	0
<del>3</del> <u>----5 2 - 3 days</u>	1
<del>6</del> <u>----8 4 - 5 days</u>	2
<del>9</del> <u>---11 6 - 7 days</u>	3
<del>12</del> <u>---14 8 - 9 days</u>	4
<del>15</del> <u>---17 10 - 11 days</u>	5
<del>18</del> <u>---20 12 - 13 days</u>	6
<del>21</del> <u>---23 14 - 15 days</u>	7
<del>24</del> <u>---26 16 - 17 days</u>	8
<del>27</del> <u>---29 18 - 19 days</u>	9
<del>30</del> <u> 20 - 21 days</u>	10
<del>22</del> <u> 22 - 23 days</u>	11
<del>24</del> <u> 24 - 25 days</u>	12
<del>26</del> <u> 26 - 27 days</u>	13
<del>28</del> <u> 28 - 29 days</u>	14
<del>30</del> <u> 30 days</u>	15

40 Sec. 2. 17-A MRSA §1253, sub-§4, as amended by PL 1991, c.  
41 737, §1, is further amended to read:

42 4. Up to an additional ~~3~~ 5 days per month may be deducted  
43 in the case of those inmates committed to the Department of  
44 Corrections who are assigned or participating in work, education  
45 or other responsibilities within the institution or program that  
46 are determined to be of sufficient importance to warrant those  
47 deductions by the institution head in accordance with policy and  
48 guidelines established by the Department of Corrections.



2 these provisions to all inmates in 1983 legislation and to  
accomplish the bill's purposes of reduced overcrowding and  
4 increased equity and efficiency in prison operations, the  
Governor is commuting sentences of current inmates to allow the  
6 provisions of this bill to apply to the portions of their  
sentences remaining to be served.