

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 630

House of Representatives, February 2, 1999

**An Act to Extend the Jurisdiction of the Maine Labor Relations Board to Employees of Public Higher Education Institutions Who Have Been Employed for Less than 6 Months.**

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Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BAKER of Bangor.  
Cosponsored by Senator PARADIS of Aroostook and  
Representatives: ANDREWS of York, DESMOND of Mapleton, DUPLESSIE of Westbrook,  
HATCH of Skowhegan, McKEE of Wayne, SKOGLUND of St. George, WATSON of  
Farmingdale, Senator: MURRAY of Penobscot.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §1022, sub-§11, ¶¶B and C,** as amended by PL  
5 1989, c. 443, §63, are further amended to read:

6 B. Appointed by the Board of Trustees as a vice-president,  
7 dean, director or member of the chancellor's,  
8 superintendent's or Maine Technical College System executive  
9 director's immediate staff; or

10 C. Whose duties necessarily imply a confidential  
11 relationship with respect to matters subject to collective  
12 bargaining as between such person and the university, the  
13 academy or the Maine Technical College System ~~or~~.

14 **Sec. 2. 26 MRSA §1022, sub-§11, ¶D,** as amended by PL 1989, c.  
15 443, §63, is repealed.

16 **Sec. 2. Application.** This Act applies to all collective  
17 bargaining contracts executed or renewed on or after September 1,  
18 1999 by parties subject to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 26,  
19 chapter 12.

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23 **SUMMARY**

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26 Under the current labor relations laws governing higher  
27 education employees, a person who has been employed for less than  
28 6 months is excluded from the protection of the collective  
29 bargaining laws. This bill removes the 6-month exclusion.  
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