

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 120th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 390

House of Representatives, February 6, 2001

**An Act to Provide an Opportunity to Minors Under 16 Years of Age to Work in Nonprofit Moving Image Archives and Nonprofit Community Theaters.**

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Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

*Millicent M. MacFarland*

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative ROSEN of Bucksport.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: DAVIS of Falmouth, GERZOFKY of Brunswick,  
Senators: SAWYER of Penobscot, YOUNGBLOOD of Penobscot.

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

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**Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §773, first ¶**, as amended by PL 1997, c. 353,  
4 §1, is further amended to read:

6 A minor under 16 years of age may not be employed, permitted  
or suffered to work in, about or in connection with any  
8 manufacturing or mechanical establishment, hotel, rooming house,  
laundry, except those commonly known as automatic laundries, dry  
10 cleaning establishments, bakery, bowling alley, poolroom,  
commercial places of amusement, including traveling shows and  
12 circuses, or in any theater or moving picture house or in  
conjunction with an amusement, game or show that allows or  
14 conducts betting. The provisions of this section pertaining to  
theaters do not apply to nonprofit moving image archives or  
16 nonprofit community theaters, and do not apply to minors under 16  
years of age who are employed or in training as theatrical actors  
18 or film actors.

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**SUMMARY**

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24 Under current law, a minor under 16 years of age may not  
work in any theater or moving picture house. This bill  
specifically exempts from that prohibition nonprofit moving image  
26 archives and nonprofit community theaters.