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House of Representatives, March 21, 2013

An Act Regarding Correctional Officers' Retirement

Reference to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative DeCHANT of Bath.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CASAVANT of Biddeford, MASON of Topsham, Senators:
GERZOFSKY of Cumberland, PATRICK of Oxford.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §17767** is enacted to read:

3 **§17767. Service credit for compensable work-related injury**

4 A member who is an employee of the Maine State Prison or the Department of
5 Corrections who is employed in a correctional facility, as defined in Title 34-A, section
6 1001 or whose duties involve contact with prisoners, probationers, parolees or juvenile
7 offenders or a member employed as the supervisor of such an employee is entitled to
8 receive service credit for the purpose of determining benefits under this Part for the
9 period during which the member was employed but unable to work due to a work-related
10 injury compensable under Title 39-A.

11 **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §18363** is enacted to read:

12 **§18363. Service credit for compensable work-related injury**

13 A member who is an employee of a county, who is employed in a county jail and
14 whose duties involve contact with prisoners or juvenile detainees or any member
15 employed as the supervisor of such an employee is entitled to receive service credit for
16 the purpose of determining benefits under this Part for the period during which the
17 member was employed but unable to work due to a work-related injury compensable
18 under Title 39-A.

19 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill provides that, for purposes of determining retirement benefits under the
21 Maine Public Employees Retirement System, state and county corrections employees are
22 entitled to receive service credit for any period during which the employee was employed
23 but unable to work due to a work-related injury compensable under the Maine Workers'
24 Compensation Act of 1992.