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In Senate, January 20, 2015

An Act To Raise the Minimum Wage

Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

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HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MIRAMANT of Knox. Cosponsored by Representative EVANGELOS of Friendship and Senators: ALFOND of Cumberland, DUTREMBLE of York, GRATWICK of Penobscot, HILL of York, JOHNSON of Lincoln, Representative: CAMPBELL of Newfield.

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

Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §664, sub-§1, as amended by PL 2007, c. 640, §4, is further
amended to read:

4 1. Minimum wage. The minimum hourly wage is \$6.50 per hour. Starting October 1, 2006, the minimum hourly wage is \$6.75 per hour. Starting October 1, 2007, the 5 minimum hourly wage is \$7.00 per hour. Starting October 1, 2008, the minimum hourly 6 wage is \$7.25 per hour. Starting October 1, 2009, the minimum hourly wage is \$7.50 per 7 hour. Starting October 1, 2015, the minimum hourly wage is \$9.75 per hour. If the 8 9 highest federal minimum wage is increased in excess of the minimum wage in effect under this section, the minimum wage under this section is increased to the same amount, 10 effective on the same date as the increase in the federal minimum wage, but in no case 11 may the minimum wage exceed the minimum wage otherwise in effect under this section 12 by more than \$1 per hour. 13

14 SUMMARY

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This bill raises the minimum wage to \$9.75 per hour beginning October 1, 2015.