

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 590

House of Representatives, February 12, 2019

An Act To Recruit and Retain Corrections Support Staff

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative WARREN of Hallowell.
Cosponsored by Senator BELLOWS of Kennebec and
Representatives: BEEBE-CENTER of Rockland, RECKITT of South Portland, TALBOT
ROSS of Portland, Senator: ROSEN of Hancock.

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

2 **Sec. 1. Wage increase for support workers in Department of Corrections.**

3 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, beginning October 1, 2019, staff in support,
4 maintenance and other nonsupervisory positions, but not including guards, in correctional
5 facilities maintained by the Department of Corrections must be given a \$2 per hour
6 increase in their wages in effect on September 30, 2019.

7 **SUMMARY**

8 This bill requires staff in support, maintenance and other nonsupervisory positions,
9 but not including guards, in correctional facilities maintained by the Department of
10 Corrections to be given a \$2 per hour increase in their wages. In 2016, guards in the
11 department were given a \$2 per hour wage increase but other employees in the
12 correctional facilities were not.