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**124th Legislature (2008-2010)**

**History and Final Disposition**

LD 1611 / HP1139

Original Title: An Act To Ensure Humane Treatment for Special Management Prisoners.  
New Title: Resolve, Directing the Department of Corrections To Coordinate Review of Due Process Procedures and To Ensure Transparency in Policies Regarding the Placement of Special Management Prisoners. (Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.) Presented by Representative SCHATZ of Blue Hill. Referred to Jt. Standing Comm. on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. Public Hearing 02/17/10. Report B (OTP-AM) Accepted 04/05/10. Amended by: CA (Changed Title) H-763. Final Disposition: Finally Passed, Signed 04/15/10, RESOLVE LAWS, Chapter 213.

**Original Bill**

[LD 1611 \(124th Legis. 2010\)](#)

**Analyst's Summary of Bill and Enacted Law**

[LD 1611 / Resolve 2009, c. 213](#)

**Committee Materials**

Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety

- (Available on request—please include the following citation: cf124-LD-1611.pdf)

**New Drafts and Amendments**

[Amendment CA \(H-763\) \(LD 1611 2010\) \(Report B \(Minority\)\) \(Passed\)](#)

[Amendment CB \(H-764\) \(LD 1611 2010\) \(Report C \(Minority\)\)](#)

[Amendment HA/CA \(H-820\) \(LD 1611 2010\)](#)

[Amendment HB/CA \(H-823\) \(LD 1611 2010\)](#)

[Amendment SA/CA \(S-518\) \(LD 1611 2010\)](#)

**Floor Proceedings and Debate**

[HOUSE, January 6, 2010 \(H940-963\)](#)

- p. H-947

[SENATE, January 7, 2010 \(S1227-1244\)](#)

- p. S-1238

[HOUSE, March 24, 2010 \(H1215-1238\)](#)

- p. H-1227 (Amendment(s) H-763, H-764)

[HOUSE, April 5, 2010 \(H1359-1385\)](#)

- p. H-1365 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s) (p 1379, 1382, 1384 (2))) (Amendment(s) H-763, H-764, H-820 (p 1379), H-823 (p 1382))

[SENATE, April 5, 2010 \(S1735-1764\)](#)

- p. S-1761 (Remarks) (Roll Call(s) (p 1762, 1763)) (Amendment(s) H-763, H-764, S-518 (p 1762))

[HOUSE, April 6, 2010 \(H1386-1400\)](#)

- p. H-1392 (Roll Call(s)) (Amendment(s) H-763)

[HOUSE, April 6, 2010 \(H1386-1400\)](#)

- p. H-1400 (Remarks (in passing))

[SENATE, April 6, 2010 \(S1765-1784\)](#)

- p. S-1778 (Amendment(s) H-763)

## Enacted Law or Resolve

[Resolve 2009, c. 213](#)

## News Articles

Corrections: a growth industry in Maine (Moody, Stan) (Capital Weekly, 1/7/2010, p. 12, 13)

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Isolation of inmates is criticized (Malloy, Meghan V.) (Kennebec Journal, 1/22/2010, p. B1) ●

- (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/K1001053.pdf)

State should reconsider solitary confinement rules (Portland Press Herald, 1/25/2010, p. A6)

- (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/P1001064.pdf)

Prison talk (Republican Journal, 1/27/2010, p. A11) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/V1001101.pdf)

Bowdoin professor: Solitary confinement reflects failure of prison (Shain, Sam) (Capital Weekly, 1/28/2010, p. 10) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/V1001060.pdf)

Locked up and locked down (Thomas, James M.) (Herald Gazette, 2/10/2010, p. B6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/V1002006.pdf)

Ex-prisoner speaks to further bill (Hoey, Dennis) (Portland Press Herald, 2/11/2010, p. B3) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/Clip10304.pdf)

Solitary confinement worsens mental illness and amounts to torture (Killmer, Richard L.) (Portland Press Herald, 2/12/2010, p. A10) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/Clip10336.pdf)

Former prisoner urges lawmakers to review solitary confinement rules (Miller, Kevin) (Bangor Daily News, 2/16/2010, p. A1, A2) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/B1002048.pdf)

Prison evolution (Thomas, James) (Herald Gazette, 2/17/2010, p. B7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/V1002003.pdf)

Sharp differences surface on solitary confinement (Wilensky-Lanford, Ethan) (Kennebec Journal, 2/18/2010, p. A1) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/Clip10360.pdf)

Clergy urge solitary confinement limits (Miller, Kevin) (Bangor Daily News, 2/24/2010, p. B1, B4) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/B1002115.pdf)

Maine voices: Bill designed to protect prisoners will put corrections officers at risk (Mele, George) (Portland Press Herald, 2/24/2010, p. A6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/P1002091.pdf)

Do right by those who do wrong (Republican Journal, 2/24/2010, p. A8) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/V1002050.pdf)

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Solitary confinement poses a danger to everyone (Kupers, Terry A. and Moltz, David) (Bangor Daily News, 2/26/2010, p. A11) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/B1002087.pdf)

Panel divided on confinement legislation (Cover, Susan) (Kennebec Journal, 3/5/2010, p. B1) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/K1003002.pdf)

Maine compass: not nameless inmates, but our neighbors (Moody, Stan) (Kennebec Journal, 3/18/2010, p. A7) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/K1003060.pdf)

Confinement bill now seeks inmate data (Miller, Kevin) (Bangor Daily News, 4/6/2010, p. B1, B6) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/B1004071.pdf)

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Are Maine prisons out of control? (Moody, Stan) (Sun-Journal (Lewiston), 4/18/2010, p. C9) ● (Available on request—please include the following citation: 124/LD16xx/nc124-ld-1611/D1004028.pdf)

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