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House of Representatives, January 16, 2015

An Act To Increase the Minimum Wage to \$8.00 per Hour

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

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BATES of Westbrook.
Cosponsored by Senator HASKELL of Cumberland and
Representatives: CHENETTE of Saco, DUNPHY of Old Town, GATTINE of Westbrook,
GIDEON of Freeport, HAMANN of South Portland, MARTIN of Eagle Lake, SCHNECK of
Bangor, STUCKEY of Portland.

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:
- 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 minimum hourly wage is \$7.00 per hour. Starting October 1, 2008, the minimum hourly wage is \$7.50 per hour. Starting October 1, 2015, the minimum hourly wage is \$8.00 per hour. If the 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, effective on the same date as the increase in the federal minimum wage, but in no case may the minimum wage exceed the minimum wage otherwise in effect under this section by more than \$1 per hour.

14 SUMMARY

15 This bill raises the minimum wage to \$8.00 per hour beginning October 1, 2015.