

§3047. Discharge or parole

When any prisoner sentenced to the department is paroled or discharged, the commissioner: [PL 1991, c. 314, §52 (AMD).]

1. Clothing. Shall ensure that the prisoner is provided with decent clothing; [PL 1991, c. 314, §52 (AMD).]

2. Money. May give the prisoner an amount equal to the net salary of a single wage earner with no dependents for 40 hours of work at the state minimum wage less all applicable state and federal deductions except that any amount in excess of \$50 may not be provided by the General Fund, except that the commissioner may not give money to a prisoner who:

A. Has, within the 6 months prior to the date of parole or discharge, transferred from the department's general client account to any person more than \$500, excluding any money transferred for the support of dependents or a credit improvement loan in accordance with section 3039, subsection 6; or [PL 2025, c. 6, §6 (AMD).]

B. Has, on the date of parole or discharge, more than \$500 in personal assets not including a credit improvement loan in accordance with section 3039, subsection 6. [PL 2025, c. 6, §7 (AMD).]

Money received by the prisoner under this subsection is not subject to section 3032, subsection 5-A or 5-B or Title 17-A, section 2016, subsection 2; [PL 2025, c. 6, §§6, 7 (AMD).]

3. Transportation. Shall furnish transportation to the place where the prisoner was convicted, except that:

A. If the prisoner's home is within the State, transportation must be furnished to the prisoner's home; [PL 1991, c. 314, §52 (AMD).]

B. If the prisoner has secured employment within the State, transportation must be furnished to the place of employment; [PL 1991, c. 314, §52 (AMD).]

C. If the prisoner's home is outside the State, or if the prisoner has secured employment outside the State, transportation must be furnished to the place on the Maine border nearest the place of employment; or [PL 1991, c. 314, §52 (AMD).]

D. If the prisoner requests a reasonable place nearer the place of incarceration than any of the foregoing, transportation must be furnished to that place; or [PL 1991, c. 314, §52 (AMD).]
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4. Extreme circumstances. May, in extreme circumstances, if the prisoner's home is outside the State, or if the prisoner has secured employment outside the State, furnish transportation to the prisoner's home or place of employment.
[PL 1991, c. 314, §52 (AMD).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1983, c. 581, §§25,59 (NEW). RR 1991, c. 1, §48 (COR). PL 1991, c. 314, §52 (AMD). PL 1993, c. 682, §2 (AMD). PL 2005, c. 506, §10 (AMD). PL 2007, c. 102, §9 (AMD). PL 2019, c. 113, Pt. C, §97 (AMD). PL 2025, c. 6, §§6, 7 (AMD).

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