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Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

‘**Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, it is necessary that this legislation be enacted for the upcoming summer camp season in order to avoid undue financial and administrative hardships for seasonal camps and nonprofit recreation programs; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,’

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

‘**Sec. 1. 26 MRSA §663, sub-§3, ¶F,** as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 92, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

F. Those employees who are counselors or junior counselors or counselors-in-training at organized camps licensed under Title 22, section 2495 and those employees of organized camps and similar seasonal recreation programs not requiring such licensure that are operated as or by nonprofit organizations who are under 18 years of age;

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.’

SUMMARY

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and clause and clarifies that counselors, junior counselors or counselors-in-training employed by organized camps licensed by the Department of Health and Human Services and those employees under 18 years of age who work for nonprofit organized camps and similar seasonal recreation programs are exempt from minimum wage requirements.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)