

STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FIVE

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S.P. 28 - L.D. 17

**An Act to Designate the Warden of the Maine State Prison as Chief
Administrative Officer of the Bolduc Correctional Facility**

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

Sec. 1. 34-A MRSA §3231, sub-§3, ¶A, as repealed and replaced by PL 1999, c. 583, §18, is amended to read:

A. The warden may appoint deputy wardens, subject to the Civil Service Law. A deputy warden designated by the warden has the powers, duties, obligations and liabilities of the warden when the warden is absent ~~from the prison location~~ or is unable to perform the duties of the office.

Sec. 2. 34-A MRSA §4203, as enacted by PL 2013, c. 508, §7, is amended to read:

§4203. ~~Director~~ Warden

1. Chief administrative officer. The chief administrative officer of the facility is ~~called the director and the warden of the Maine State Prison, referred to in this subchapter as "the warden."~~ The warden is responsible to the commissioner.

2. Duties. In addition to other duties set out in this Title, the ~~director~~ warden has the following duties.

A. The ~~director~~ warden shall exercise proper supervision over the employees, grounds, buildings and equipment at the facility.

B. The ~~director~~ warden shall supervise and control the prisoners at the facility in accordance with departmental rules.

3. Powers. ~~In addition to other powers granted in this Title, the director may appoint one assistant director, subject to the Civil Service Law; the assistant director has the powers, duties, obligations and liabilities of the director when the director is absent or unable to perform the director's duties.~~

Sec. 3. 34-A MRSA §4204, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 2013, c. 508, §7, is amended to read:

2. Education. The ~~director~~ warden shall maintain suitable courses for academic and career and technical education of the prisoners. The ~~director~~ warden shall maintain necessary equipment and employ suitable qualified instructors as necessary to carry out the objectives of the facility's programs.

Sec. 4. 34-A MRSA §4205, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 48, §2, is amended to read:

§4205. Employees of the facility

Employees of the facility have the same power as do deputy sheriffs in their respective counties to search for and apprehend escapees from the facility when authorized to do so by the ~~director~~ warden.