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House of Representatives, January 13, 2023

An Act to Increase the Governor's Salary

Reference to the Committee on State and Local Government suggested and ordered printed.

Robert B. Hunt
ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BRIDGEO of Augusta.
Cosponsored by Representative: MILLETT of Waterford.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 2 MRSA §1**, as amended by PL 2019, c. 475, §6, is further amended by
3 amending the section headnote to read:

4 **§1. Residence; office hours; secretary; salary; expense allowance**

5 **Sec. 2. 2 MRSA §1, 3rd ¶**, as amended by PL 2019, c. 475, §6, is further amended
6 to read:

7 ~~Until the first Wednesday of January 1987, the Governor receives an annual salary of~~
8 ~~\$35,000. Beginning the first Wednesday of January 1987, the Governor is entitled to~~
9 ~~receive an annual salary of \$70,000. Beginning the first Wednesday of January 2027, the~~
10 ~~Governor is entitled to receive an annual salary of \$125,000 and an expense account of~~
11 ~~\$40,000 annually that, notwithstanding Title 36, Part 8, is not considered income for state~~
12 ~~income tax purposes.~~

13 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill increases, effective January 2027, the salary for the Governor to \$125,000. It
15 also allows the Governor to receive a nontaxable expense account of \$40,000 annually.