**An Act to Increase the Governor's Salary**

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

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

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

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

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

**SUMMARY**

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