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## **An Act To Provide Tax Relief to Middle-income Residents through the Maine Residents Property Tax Program**

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

**Sec. 1. 36 MRS §6207, sub-§1, ¶A-1,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 2, Pt. E, §4 and as affected by §§7 and 8, is further amended to read:

A-1. Fifty percent of that portion of the benefit base that exceeds 4% but does not exceed 8% of income plus 100% of that portion of the benefit base that exceeds 8% of income to a maximum payment of ~~\$2,000~~\$4,000.

**Sec. 2. Application.** This Act applies to claims for benefits under the Maine Residents Property Tax Program filed for application periods that begin on or after August 1, 2007.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill amends the Maine Residents Property Tax Program, also referred to as “the Circuitbreaker Program,” by increasing the maximum benefit to \$4,000 from \$2,000.