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**An Act to Increase the Cap on Liability for Governmental Entities
Under the Maine Tort Claims Act**

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator LAWRENCE of York.
Cosponsored by Senator: CARNEY of Cumberland, Representatives: GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, KUHN of Falmouth, LEE of Auburn.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §8105, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 1999, c. 460, §1 and affected
3 by §2, is further amended to read:

4 **1. Limit established.** In any claim or cause of action permitted by this chapter, the
5 award of damages, including costs, against either a governmental entity or its employees,
6 or both, may not exceed ~~\$400,000~~ \$1,250,000 for any ~~and all~~ claims arising out of a single
7 occurrence.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill increases the limitation on the award of damages against a governmental entity
10 or its employees, or both, under the Maine Tort Claims Act from \$400,000 to \$1,250,000
11 per occurrence.