An Act to Increase the Governor's Salary

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

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