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further to amend the Kerala Payment of Pension to Members of Legislature Act, 1976.

Preamble.—WHEREAS, it is expedient further to amend the Kerala Payment of Pension to Members of Legislature Act, 1976 (46 of 1976) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

BE it enacted in the Seventy-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement*.—(1) This Act may be called the Kerala Payment of Pension to Members of Legislature (Amendment) Act, 2026.

(2) It shall come into force on the 1st day of November, 2026.

2. *Amendment of section 2B*.—In section 2B of the Kerala Payment of Pension to Members of Legislature Act, 1976 (46 of 1976) (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), in sub-section (1) , for the words “seventy five thousand rupees”, the words “one lakh fifty thousand rupees” shall be substituted.

3. *Amendment of the Schedule*.—In the principal Act, for the existing Schedule and provisos, the following Schedule and provisos shall be substituted, namely:—

"SCHEDULE

[*See* Section 2 (1)]

Rate of Pension

Period	*Rate of Pension per mensem* (₹)
For any period below two years	10,000
For two years in the aggregate	10,000
For three years in the aggregate	15,000
For four years in the aggregate	20,000
For five years in the aggregate	25,000

Provided that where any person has served as a member as stated in sub-section (1) of section 2 for a period exceeding five years, there shall be paid to him an additional pension of one thousand and five hundred rupees per mensem for every year in excess of five years:

Provided further that in calculating the net qualifying period for pension, fraction of half year and above shall be rounded to the next completed year:

Provided also that the Ex-Members may be paid an additional pension of rupees four thousand per mensem on completion of seventy years of age, rupees five thousand per mensem on completion of eighty years of age:

Provided also that the maximum pension to which a member is eligible under this Act shall not, in the aggregate, exceed rupees sixty thousand per mensem.".

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The last revision of pension to Ex-Members of the Legislative Assembly was made in the year 2018 by Act 9 of 2018. For the last eight years, the price of all commodities including petrol, diesel, electricity etc. has increased considerably. Considering the above, the Hon'ble Minister for Parliamentary Affairs ordered for the revision of pensionary benefits of Ex-Members of the Legislative Assembly and suggested necessary amendments to the Kerala Payment of Pension to Members of Legislature Act, 1976. Therefore Government have decided to revise the pensionary benefits and to make necessary amendments in the Act.

The Bill seeks to achieve the above object.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

The Bill if enacted and brought into operation would involve a considerable amount of expenditure of a recurring nature, for its implementation. The actual expenditure will vary according to the qualifying years of service, age and applicable pension entitlements. Hence the actual expenditure cannot be estimated with any reasonable degree of accuracy at this stage.

SUNNY JOSEPH

EXTRACT FROM THE KERALA PAYMENT OF PENSION TO MEMBERS OF LEGISLATURE ACT, 1976 (ACT 46 OF 1976)

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2B.—*Free Transit coupons for Ex-members of the Legislative Assembly*.—(1) Subject to such rules as may be made in this behalf, any person, who has served as a member referred to in clause (i) or clause (ii) or clause (iii) of sub-section (1) of section 2 shall, at the option of such ex-member, be provided with all or any of the following free transit coupons of an aggregate value of seventy five thousand rupees for a period of twelve calender months, namely:—

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SCHEDULE

[*See* section 2 (1)]

Rate of Pension

Period	*Rate of Pension per mensem* (₹)
For any period below two years	8,000
For two years in the aggregate	8,000
For three years in the aggregate	12,000
For four years in the aggregate	16,000
For five years in the aggregate	20,000

Provided that where any person has served as a member as stated in sub-section (1) of section 2 for a period exceeding five years, there shall be paid to him an additional pension of one thousand rupees per mensem for every year in excess of five years:

Provided further that in calculating the net qualifying period for pension, fraction of half year and above shall be rounded to the next completed year:

Provided also that the Ex-Members may be paid an additional pension of rupees three thousand per mensem on completion of seventy years of age, rupees three thousand and five hundred per mensem on completion of eighty years of age:

Provided also that the maximum pension to which a member is eligible under this Act shall not, in the aggregate, exceed rupees fifty thousand per mensem.