



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

HB2891

Introduced 2/22/2011, by Rep. Michelle Mussman

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

25 ILCS 115/1 from Ch. 63, par. 14  
25 ILCS 120/5.7  
25 ILCS 120/5.8 new

Amends the General Assembly Compensation Act. Provides that, for terms commencing on or after January 12, 2011, each member of the General Assembly shall receive compensation that is no more than 90% of the amount last set by the Compensation Review Board. Amends the Compensation Review Act. For fiscal year 2012 and each fiscal year thereafter, prohibits a cost of living adjustment for General Assembly members. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The General Assembly Compensation Act is amended  
5 by changing Section 1 as follows:

6 (25 ILCS 115/1) (from Ch. 63, par. 14)

7 Sec. 1. Annual salary; mileage. For terms commencing before  
8 January 12, 2011, each ~~Each~~ member of the General Assembly  
9 shall receive an annual salary of \$28,000 or as set by the  
10 Compensation Review Board, whichever is greater. For terms  
11 commencing on or after January 12, 2011, each member of the  
12 General Assembly shall receive an annual salary that is no more  
13 than 90% of the amount last set by the Compensation Review  
14 Board. The following named officers, committee chairmen and  
15 committee minority spokesmen shall receive additional amounts  
16 per year for their services as such officers, committee  
17 chairmen and committee minority spokesmen respectively, as set  
18 by the Compensation Review Board or, as follows, whichever is  
19 greater: Beginning the second Wednesday in January 1989, the  
20 Speaker and the minority leader of the House of Representatives  
21 and the President and the minority leader of the Senate,  
22 \$16,000 each; the majority leader in the House of  
23 Representatives \$13,500; 6 assistant majority leaders and 5

1 assistant minority leaders in the Senate, \$12,000 each; 6  
2 assistant majority leaders and 6 assistant minority leaders in  
3 the House of Representatives, \$10,500 each; 2 Deputy Majority  
4 leaders in the House of Representatives \$11,500 each; and 2  
5 Deputy Minority leaders in the House of Representatives,  
6 \$11,500 each; the majority caucus chairman and minority caucus  
7 chairman in the Senate, \$12,000 each; and beginning the second  
8 Wednesday in January, 1989, the majority conference chairman  
9 and the minority conference chairman in the House of  
10 Representatives, \$10,500 each; beginning the second Wednesday  
11 in January, 1989, the chairman and minority spokesman of each  
12 standing committee of the Senate, except the Rules Committee,  
13 the Committee on Committees, and the Committee on Assignment of  
14 Bills, \$6,000 each; and beginning the second Wednesday in  
15 January, 1989, the chairman and minority spokesman of each  
16 standing and select committee of the House of Representatives,  
17 \$6,000 each. A member who serves in more than one position as  
18 an officer, committee chairman, or committee minority  
19 spokesman shall receive only one additional amount based on the  
20 position paying the highest additional amount. The  
21 compensation provided for in this Section to be paid per year  
22 to members of the General Assembly, including the additional  
23 sums payable per year to officers of the General Assembly shall  
24 be paid in 12 equal monthly installments. The first such  
25 installment is payable on January 31, 1977. All subsequent  
26 equal monthly installments are payable on the last working day

1 of the month. A member who has held office any part of a month  
2 is entitled to compensation for an entire month.

3 Mileage shall be paid at the rate of 20 cents per mile  
4 before January 9, 1985, and at the mileage allowance rate in  
5 effect under regulations promulgated pursuant to 5 U.S.C.  
6 5707(b)(2) beginning January 9, 1985, for the number of actual  
7 highway miles necessarily and conveniently traveled by the most  
8 feasible route to be present upon convening of the sessions of  
9 the General Assembly by such member in each and every trip  
10 during each session in going to and returning from the seat of  
11 government, to be computed by the Comptroller. A member  
12 traveling by public transportation for such purposes, however,  
13 shall be paid his or her actual cost of that transportation  
14 instead of on the mileage rate if his or her cost of public  
15 transportation exceeds the amount to which he or she would be  
16 entitled on a mileage basis. No member may be paid, whether on  
17 a mileage basis or for actual costs of public transportation,  
18 for more than one such trip for each week the General Assembly  
19 is actually in session. Each member shall also receive an  
20 allowance of \$36 per day for lodging and meals while in  
21 attendance at sessions of the General Assembly before January  
22 9, 1985; beginning January 9, 1985, such food and lodging  
23 allowance shall be equal to the amount per day permitted to be  
24 deducted for such expenses under the Internal Revenue Code;  
25 however, beginning May 31, 1995, no allowance for food and  
26 lodging while in attendance at sessions is authorized for

1 periods of time after the last day in May of each calendar  
2 year, except (i) if the General Assembly is convened in special  
3 session by either the Governor or the presiding officers of  
4 both houses, as provided by subsection (b) of Section 5 of  
5 Article IV of the Illinois Constitution or (ii) if the General  
6 Assembly is convened to consider bills vetoed, item vetoed,  
7 reduced, or returned with specific recommendations for change  
8 by the Governor as provided in Section 9 of Article IV of the  
9 Illinois Constitution. Notwithstanding any other provision,  
10 for fiscal year 2011 only (i) the allowance for lodging and  
11 meals is \$111 per day and (ii) mileage for automobile travel  
12 shall be reimbursed at a rate of \$0.39 per mile.

13 If a member dies having received only a portion of the  
14 amount payable as compensation, the unpaid balance shall be  
15 paid to the surviving spouse of such member, or, if there be  
16 none, to the estate of such member.

17 (Source: P.A. 96-958, eff. 7-1-10.)

18 Section 10. The Compensation Review Act is amended by  
19 changing Section 5.7 and adding Section 5.8 as follows:

20 (25 ILCS 120/5.7)

21 Sec. 5.7. FY11 COLA's prohibited. Notwithstanding any  
22 former or current provision of this Act, any other law, any  
23 report of the Compensation Review Board, or any resolution of  
24 the General Assembly to the contrary, members of the General

1 Assembly, State's attorneys, other than the county supplement,  
2 elected executive branch constitutional officers of State  
3 government, and persons in certain appointed offices of State  
4 government, including the membership of State departments,  
5 agencies, boards, and commissions, whose annual compensation  
6 previously was recommended or determined by the Compensation  
7 Review Board, are prohibited from receiving and shall not  
8 receive any increase in compensation that would otherwise apply  
9 based on a cost of living adjustment, as authorized by Senate  
10 Joint Resolution 192 of the 86th General Assembly, for or  
11 during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010. That cost of  
12 living adjustment shall apply again in the fiscal year  
13 beginning July 1, 2011 and thereafter, except as provided in  
14 Section 5.8.

15 (Source: P.A. 96-958, eff. 7-1-10.)

16 (25 ILCS 120/5.8 new)

17 Sec. 5.8. COLA's prohibited for General Assembly members.  
18 Notwithstanding any former or current provision of this Act,  
19 any other law, any report of the Compensation Review Board, or  
20 any resolution of the General Assembly to the contrary, members  
21 of the General Assembly are prohibited from receiving and shall  
22 not receive any increase in compensation that would otherwise  
23 apply based on a cost of living adjustment, as authorized by  
24 Senate Joint Resolution 192 of the 86th General Assembly, for  
25 or during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011 and each

1 fiscal year thereafter.

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
3 becoming law.