

HB2437



99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB2437

Introduced 2/17/2015, by Rep. Dwight Kay

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

25 ILCS 115/1

from Ch. 63, par. 14

25 ILCS 120/6.3 new

Amends the General Assembly Compensation Act. Provides that, for terms commencing on or after January 11, 2017, 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 2016 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; stipends; travel reimbursement. For
8 terms commencing before January 11, 2017, each ~~Each~~ member of
9 the General Assembly shall receive an annual salary of \$28,000
10 or as set by the Compensation Review Board, whichever is
11 greater. For terms commencing on or after January 11, 2017,
12 each member of the General Assembly shall receive an annual
13 salary that is no more than 90% of the amount last set by the
14 Compensation Review Board. The following named officers,
15 committee chairmen and committee minority spokesmen shall
16 receive additional amounts per year for their services as such
17 officers, committee chairmen and committee minority spokesmen
18 respectively, as set by the Compensation Review Board or, as
19 follows, whichever is greater: Beginning the second Wednesday
20 in January 1989, the Speaker and the minority leader of the
21 House of Representatives and the President and the minority
22 leader of the Senate, \$16,000 each; the majority leader in the
23 House of Representatives \$13,500; 6 assistant majority leaders

1 and 5 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 would be entitled
16 on a mileage basis. No member may be paid, whether on a mileage
17 basis or for actual costs of public transportation, for more
18 than one such trip for each week the General Assembly is
19 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. For fiscal year 2011 and for session
10 days in fiscal years 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015 only (i) the
11 allowance for lodging and meals is \$111 per day and (ii)
12 mileage for automobile travel shall be reimbursed at a rate of
13 \$0.39 per mile.

14 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
15 beginning in fiscal year 2012, travel reimbursement for General
16 Assembly members on non-session days shall be calculated using
17 the guidelines set forth by the Legislative Travel Control
18 Board, except that fiscal year 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015
19 mileage reimbursement is set at a rate of \$0.39 per mile.

20 If a member dies having received only a portion of the
21 amount payable as compensation, the unpaid balance shall be
22 paid to the surviving spouse of such member, or, if there be
23 none, to the estate of such member.

24 (Source: P.A. 97-71, eff. 6-30-11; 97-718, eff. 6-29-12; 98-30,
25 eff. 6-24-13; 98-682, eff. 6-30-14.)

1 Section 10. The Compensation Review Act is amended by
2 adding Section 6.3 as follows:

3 (25 ILCS 120/6.3 new)

4 Sec. 6.3. COLA's prohibited for General Assembly members.
5 Notwithstanding any former or current provision of this Act,
6 any other law, any report of the Compensation Review Board, or
7 any resolution of the General Assembly to the contrary, members
8 of the General Assembly are prohibited from receiving and shall
9 not receive any increase in compensation that would otherwise
10 apply based on a cost of living adjustment, as authorized by
11 Senate Joint Resolution 192 of the 86th General Assembly, for
12 or during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and each
13 fiscal year thereafter.

14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
15 becoming law.