



99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2015 and 2016

HB6551

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

15 ILCS 20/50-22

25 ILCS 115/1

from Ch. 63, par. 14

Amends the General Assembly Compensation Act. Provides that beginning in 2016, and for each year thereafter, if the General Assembly fails to pass a balanced budget by June 30th of each year, the compensation to be paid to members of the General Assembly, including the additional sums payable to officers of the General Assembly, shall be withheld until a balanced budget is passed. Amends the State Budget Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Removes the salary of members of the General Assembly from continuing appropriations provisions. Effective immediately.

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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 State Budget Law of the Civil Administrative
5 Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section 50-22 as
6 follows:

7 (15 ILCS 20/50-22)

8 Sec. 50-22. Funding for salaries of ~~General Assembly~~
9 ~~members and~~ judges; legislative operations.

10 (a) Beginning July 1, 2014, the aggregate appropriations
11 available for salaries for ~~members of the General Assembly and~~
12 judges from all State funds for each State fiscal year shall be
13 no less than the total aggregate appropriations made available
14 for salaries for ~~members of the General Assembly and~~ judges for
15 the immediately preceding fiscal year.

16 (b) Beginning July 1, 2014, the aggregate appropriations
17 available for legislative operations from all State funds for
18 each State fiscal year shall be no less than the total
19 aggregate appropriations made available for legislative
20 operations for the immediately preceding fiscal year. For
21 purposes of this subsection (b), "legislative operations"
22 means any expenditure for the operation of the Office of the
23 Auditor General, the House of Representatives, the Senate, the

1 Legislative Ethics Commission, the Office of the Legislative
2 Inspector General, the Joint Committee on Legislative Support
3 Services, and the legislative support services agencies.

4 (c) If for any reason the aggregate appropriations made
5 available are insufficient to meet the levels required by
6 subsections (a) and (b) of this Section, this Section shall
7 constitute a continuing appropriation of all amounts necessary
8 for these purposes. The General Assembly may appropriate lesser
9 amounts by law.

10 (Source: P.A. 98-682, eff. 6-30-14.)

11 Section 10. The General Assembly Compensation Act is
12 amended by changing Section 1 as follows:

13 (25 ILCS 115/1) (from Ch. 63, par. 14)

14 Sec. 1. Each member of the General Assembly shall receive
15 an annual salary of \$28,000 or as set by the Compensation
16 Review Board, whichever is greater. The following named
17 officers, committee chairmen and committee minority spokesmen
18 shall receive additional amounts per year for their services as
19 such officers, committee chairmen and committee minority
20 spokesmen respectively, as set by the Compensation Review Board
21 or, as follows, whichever is greater: Beginning the second
22 Wednesday in January 1989, the Speaker and the minority leader
23 of the House of Representatives and the President and the
24 minority leader of the Senate, \$16,000 each; the majority

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

1 January 31, 1977. All subsequent equal monthly installments are
2 payable on the last working day of the month. A member who has
3 held office any part of a month is entitled to compensation for
4 an entire month. Beginning in 2016, and for each year
5 thereafter, if the General Assembly fails to pass a balanced
6 budget by June 30th of each year, the compensation provided in
7 this Section to be paid to members of the General Assembly,
8 including the additional sums payable to officers of the
9 General Assembly, shall be withheld until a balanced budget is
10 passed.

11 Mileage shall be paid at the rate of 20 cents per mile
12 before January 9, 1985, and at the mileage allowance rate in
13 effect under regulations promulgated pursuant to 5 U.S.C.
14 5707(b) (2) beginning January 9, 1985, for the number of actual
15 highway miles necessarily and conveniently traveled by the most
16 feasible route to be present upon convening of the sessions of
17 the General Assembly by such member in each and every trip
18 during each session in going to and returning from the seat of
19 government, to be computed by the Comptroller. A member
20 traveling by public transportation for such purposes, however,
21 shall be paid his actual cost of that transportation instead of
22 on the mileage rate if his cost of public transportation
23 exceeds the amount to which he would be entitled on a mileage
24 basis. No member may be paid, whether on a mileage basis or for
25 actual costs of public transportation, for more than one such
26 trip for each week the General Assembly is actually in session.

1 Each member shall also receive an allowance of \$36 per day for
2 lodging and meals while in attendance at sessions of the
3 General Assembly before January 9, 1985; beginning January 9,
4 1985, such food and lodging allowance shall be equal to the
5 amount per day permitted to be deducted for such expenses under
6 the Internal Revenue Code; however, beginning May 31, 1995, no
7 allowance for food and lodging while in attendance at sessions
8 is authorized for periods of time after the last day in May of
9 each calendar year, except (i) if the General Assembly is
10 convened in special session by either the Governor or the
11 presiding officers of both houses, as provided by subsection
12 (b) of Section 5 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution or
13 (ii) if the General Assembly is convened to consider bills
14 vetoed, item vetoed, reduced, or returned with specific
15 recommendations for change by the Governor as provided in
16 Section 9 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution. For
17 fiscal year 2011 and for session days in fiscal years 2012,
18 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016 only (i) the allowance for lodging
19 and meals is \$111 per day and (ii) mileage for automobile
20 travel shall be reimbursed at a rate of \$0.39 per mile.

21 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
22 beginning in fiscal year 2012, travel reimbursement for General
23 Assembly members on non-session days shall be calculated using
24 the guidelines set forth by the Legislative Travel Control
25 Board, except that fiscal year 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016
26 mileage reimbursement is set at a rate of \$0.39 per mile.

1 If a member dies having received only a portion of the
2 amount payable as compensation, the unpaid balance shall be
3 paid to the surviving spouse of such member, or, if there be
4 none, to the estate of such member.

5 (Source: P.A. 98-30, eff. 6-24-13; 98-682, eff. 6-30-14;
6 99-355, eff. 8-13-15.)

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
8 becoming law.