## **101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

## State of Illinois

## 2019 and 2020

### HB3863

Introduced 10/17/2019, by Rep. Jaime M. Andrade, Jr.

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

25 ILCS 115/1 25 ILCS 120/7 new from Ch. 63, par. 14

Amends the General Assembly Compensation Act. Provides that a member of the General Assembly may, prior to being sworn into office, elect to reject any travel reimbursement provided under the Act. Provides that once a member elects to reject travel reimbursement, he or she shall not be eligible to receive travel reimbursement for current and future terms of office. Provides that any moneys received by a member for purposes of travel reimbursement may be repaid to the State. Amends the Compensation Review Act. Provides that members of the General Assembly and executive branch constitutional officers may, prior to being sworn into office, elect not to receive any increase in compensation that would otherwise apply based on a cost of living adjustment. Provides that once a member of the General Assembly or an executive branch constitutional officer elects not to receive a cost of living adjustment, he or she shall not be eligible to receive a cost of living adjustment for current and future terms of office. Provides that any increase in compensation received as a cost of living adjustment by a member of the General Assembly or an executive branch constitutional officer may be repaid to the State.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY HB3863

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AN ACT concerning State government.

# Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The General Assembly Compensation Act is amended
  by changing Section 1 as follows:
- 6 (25 ILCS 115/1) (from Ch. 63, par. 14)

7 Sec. 1. Each member of the General Assembly shall receive an annual salary of \$28,000 or as set by the Compensation 8 9 Review Board, whichever is greater. The following named officers, committee chairmen and committee minority spokesmen 10 shall receive additional amounts per year for their services as 11 such officers, committee chairmen and committee minority 12 13 spokesmen respectively, as set by the Compensation Review Board 14 or, as follows, whichever is greater: Beginning the second Wednesday in January 1989, the Speaker and the minority leader 15 16 of the House of Representatives and the President and the minority leader of the Senate, \$16,000 each; the majority 17 leader in the House of Representatives \$13,500; 5 assistant 18 19 majority leaders and 5 assistant minority leaders in the 20 Senate, \$12,000 each; 6 assistant majority leaders and 6 21 assistant minority leaders in the House of Representatives, 22 \$10,500 each; 2 Deputy Majority leaders in the House of Representatives \$11,500 each; and 2 Deputy Minority leaders in 23

the House of Representatives, \$11,500 each; the majority caucus 1 2 chairman and minority caucus chairman in the Senate, \$12,000 3 each; and beginning the second Wednesday in January, 1989, the majority conference chairman and the minority conference 4 5 chairman in the House of Representatives, \$10,500 each; beginning the second Wednesday in January, 1989, the chairman 6 7 and minority spokesman of each standing committee of the 8 except the Rules Committee, the Committee Senate, on 9 Committees, and the Committee on Assignment of Bills, \$6,000 10 each; and beginning the second Wednesday in January, 1989, the 11 chairman and minority spokesman of each standing and select 12 committee of the House of Representatives, \$6,000 each; and beginning fiscal year 2020 the majority leader in the Senate, 13 14 an amount equal to the majority leader in the House. A member 15 who serves in more than one position as an officer, committee 16 chairman, or committee minority spokesman shall receive only 17 one additional amount based on the position paying the highest additional amount. The compensation provided for in this 18 19 Section to be paid per year to members of the General Assembly, 20 including the additional sums payable per year to officers of 21 the General Assembly shall be paid in 12 equal monthly 22 installments. The first such installment is payable on January 23 31, 1977. All subsequent equal monthly installments are payable on the last working day of the month. A member who has held 24 25 office any part of a month is entitled to compensation for an 26 entire month.

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Mileage shall be paid at the rate of 20 cents per mile 1 2 before January 9, 1985, and at the mileage allowance rate in effect under regulations promulgated pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3 5707(b)(2) beginning January 9, 1985, for the number of actual 4 5 highway miles necessarily and conveniently traveled by the most 6 feasible route to be present upon convening of the sessions of 7 the General Assembly by such member in each and every trip 8 during each session in going to and returning from the seat of 9 government, to be computed by the Comptroller. A member 10 traveling by public transportation for such purposes, however, 11 shall be paid his actual cost of that transportation instead of 12 on the mileage rate if his cost of public transportation 13 exceeds the amount to which he would be entitled on a mileage 14 basis. No member may be paid, whether on a mileage basis or for 15 actual costs of public transportation, for more than one such 16 trip for each week the General Assembly is actually in session. 17 Each member shall also receive an allowance of \$36 per day for lodging and meals while in attendance at sessions of the 18 General Assembly before January 9, 1985; beginning January 9, 19 20 1985, such food and lodging allowance shall be equal to the amount per day permitted to be deducted for such expenses under 21 22 the Internal Revenue Code; however, beginning May 31, 1995, no 23 allowance for food and lodging while in attendance at sessions is authorized for periods of time after the last day in May of 24 each calendar year, except (i) if the General Assembly is 25 26 convened in special session by either the Governor or the

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presiding officers of both houses, as provided by subsection 1 2 (b) of Section 5 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution or (ii) if the General Assembly is convened to consider bills 3 vetoed, item vetoed, reduced, or returned with specific 4 5 recommendations for change by the Governor as provided in Section 9 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution. For 6 fiscal year 2011 and for session days in fiscal years 2012, 7 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 only (i) the 8 9 allowance for lodging and meals is \$111 per day and (ii) 10 mileage for automobile travel shall be reimbursed at a rate of 11 \$0.39 per mile.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, beginning in fiscal year 2012, travel reimbursement for General Assembly members on non-session days shall be calculated using the guidelines set forth by the Legislative Travel Control Board, except that fiscal year 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 mileage reimbursement is set at a rate of \$0.39 per mile.

19 A member may, prior to being sworn into office, elect to 20 reject any travel reimbursement provided under this Section. 21 Once a member elects to reject travel reimbursement, he or she 22 shall not be eligible to receive travel reimbursement under 23 this Section for the remainder of his or her elected term of 24 office or for any subsequent term of office for which he or she 25 may be elected to the same house of the General Assembly. Any moneys received by a member for purposes of travel 26

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reimbursement may voluntarily be repaid by a member to the
 State in a manner prescribed by the Comptroller.

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

7 (Source: P.A. 100-25, eff. 7-26-17; 100-587, eff. 6-4-18; 8 101-10, eff. 6-5-19.)

9 Section 10. The Compensation Review Act is amended by10 adding Section 7 as follows:

11 (25 ILCS 120/7 new)

12 Sec. 7. COLA opt-out. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, members of the General Assembly and executive 13 branch constitutional officers of State government may, prior 14 15 to being sworn into office, elect not to receive any increase in compensation that would otherwise apply based on a cost of 16 17 living adjustment as authorized by Senate Joint Resolution 192 of the 86th General Assembly. Once a member of the General 18 19 Assembly or an executive branch constitutional officer elects 20 not to receive a cost of living adjustment, he or she shall not 21 be eligible to receive a cost of living adjustment for the 22 remainder of his or her elected term of office or for any 23 subsequent term of office for which he or she may be elected to the same office. Any increase in compensation received as a 24

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2 <u>or an executive branch constitutional officer may voluntarily</u>

- 3 <u>be repaid by a member or an officer to the State in a manner</u>
- 4 prescribed by the Comptroller.