



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB2874

Introduced 2/19/2021, by Rep. Andrew S. Chesney

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 2021, and for each year thereafter, if the General Assembly fails to pass a balanced budget by June 30 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
5 Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by changing Section
6 50-22 as 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
15 for 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
9 lesser 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
19 as such officers, committee chairmen and committee minority
20 spokesmen respectively, as set by the Compensation Review
21 Board or, as follows, whichever is greater: Beginning the
22 second Wednesday in January 1989, the Speaker and the minority
23 leader of the House of Representatives and the President and
24 the minority leader of the Senate, \$16,000 each; the majority

1 leader in the House of Representatives \$13,500; 5 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
8 caucus chairman and minority caucus chairman in the Senate,
9 \$12,000 each; and beginning the second Wednesday in January,
10 1989, the majority conference chairman and the minority
11 conference chairman in the House of Representatives, \$10,500
12 each; beginning the second Wednesday in January, 1989, the
13 chairman and minority spokesman of each standing committee of
14 the 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; and
19 beginning fiscal year 2020, the majority leader in the Senate,
20 an amount equal to the majority leader in the House. A member
21 who serves in more than one position as an officer, committee
22 chairman, or committee minority spokesman shall receive only
23 one additional amount based on the position paying the highest
24 additional amount. The compensation provided for in this
25 Section to be paid per year to members of the General Assembly,
26 including the additional sums payable per year to officers of

1 the General Assembly shall be paid in 12 equal monthly
2 installments. The first such installment is payable on January
3 31, 1977. All subsequent equal monthly installments are
4 payable on the last working day of the month. A member who has
5 held office any part of a month is entitled to compensation for
6 an entire month. Beginning in 2021, and for each year
7 thereafter, if the General Assembly fails to pass a balanced
8 budget by June 30 of each year, the compensation provided in
9 this Section to be paid to members of the General Assembly,
10 including the additional sums payable to officers of the
11 General Assembly, shall be withheld until a balanced budget is
12 passed.

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

1 a mileage basis or for actual costs of public transportation,
2 for more than one such trip for each week the General Assembly
3 is actually in session. Each member shall also receive an
4 allowance of \$36 per day for lodging and meals while in
5 attendance at sessions of the General Assembly before January
6 9, 1985; beginning January 9, 1985, such food and lodging
7 allowance shall be equal to the amount per day permitted to be
8 deducted for such expenses under the Internal Revenue Code;
9 however, beginning May 31, 1995, no allowance for food and
10 lodging while in attendance at sessions is authorized for
11 periods of time after the last day in May of each calendar
12 year, except (i) if the General Assembly is convened in
13 special session by either the Governor or the presiding
14 officers of both houses, as provided by subsection (b) of
15 Section 5 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution or (ii) if
16 the General Assembly is convened to consider bills vetoed,
17 item vetoed, reduced, or returned with specific
18 recommendations for change by the Governor as provided in
19 Section 9 of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution. For
20 fiscal year 2011 and for session days in fiscal years 2012,
21 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 only (i) the
22 allowance for lodging and meals is \$111 per day and (ii)
23 mileage for automobile travel shall be reimbursed at a rate of
24 \$0.39 per mile.

25 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
26 contrary, beginning in fiscal year 2012, travel reimbursement

1 for General Assembly members on non-session days shall be
2 calculated using the guidelines set forth by the Legislative
3 Travel Control Board, except that fiscal year 2012, 2013,
4 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 mileage reimbursement
5 is set at a rate of \$0.39 per mile.

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

10 (Source: P.A. 100-25, eff. 7-26-17; 100-587, eff. 6-4-18;
11 101-10, eff. 6-5-19; revised 7-17-19.)

12 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
13 becoming law.