

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

# 2015 and 2016

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

25 ILCS 115/1	from Ch. 63, par. 14
25 ILCS 115/1.1	from Ch. 63, par. 14.1
25 ILCS 115/2	from Ch. 63, par. 15

Amends the General Assembly Compensation Act. Provides that beginning January 1, 2017, and for each year thereafter, no member of the General Assembly shall receive mileage or allowance for travel to and from convened sessions of the General Assembly, or allowance for lodging and meals while in attendance at sessions of the General Assembly. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning State Government.

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

- Section 5. The General Assembly Compensation Act is amended
  by changing Sections 1, 1.1, and 2 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; 6 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. A 13 member who serves in more than one position as an officer, 14 committee chairman, or committee minority spokesman shall 15 receive only one additional amount based on the position paying 16 the highest additional amount. The compensation provided for in 17 this Section to be paid per year to members of the General Assembly, including the additional sums payable per year to 18 19 officers of the General Assembly shall be paid in 12 equal 20 monthly installments. The first such installment is payable on 21 January 31, 1977. All subsequent equal monthly installments are 22 payable on the last working day of the month. A member who has 23 held office any part of a month is entitled to compensation for 24 an entire month.

25 Mileage shall be paid at the rate of 20 cents per mile 26 before January 9, 1985, and at the mileage allowance rate in

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

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

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, beginning January 1, 2017, and for each year thereafter, no member shall receive mileage or allowance for travel to and from convened sessions of the General Assembly, or allowance for lodging and meals while in attendance at sessions of the General Assembly.

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.

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12 (Source: P.A. 79-728.)

13 (25 ILCS 115/2) (from Ch. 63, par. 15)

14 Sec. 2.

Such portion of the pay<del>, allowances and mileage</del> allowed to each member of the General Assembly shall be certified to by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives and entered upon the journals and published at the close of each session.

20 (Source: P.A. 77-2nd SS-3.)

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 22 becoming law.