

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1995

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HOUSE BILL 371

Short Title: Legislative Compensation Reduced.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Gamble; Capps, Gardner, Lee, Neely, Pate, Rayfield, and Russell.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar and Operations of the House.

March 7, 1995

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REDUCE THE COMPENSATION AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCES OF
2 MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND TO PROVIDE THAT
3 EXPENSE ALLOWANCES ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASE FOR
4 CALCULATING LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. G.S. 120-3 reads as rewritten:

8 **"§ 120-3. Pay of members and officers of the General Assembly.**

9 (a) The Speaker of the House shall be paid an annual salary of ~~thirty-eight thousand~~
10 ~~one hundred fifty-one dollars (\$38,151)~~ thirty-six thousand two hundred dollars (\$36,200)
11 payable monthly, and an expense allowance of one thousand ~~four-two~~ hundred thirteen
12 dollars ~~(\$1,413)~~ (\$1,213) per month. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall be
13 paid an annual salary of ~~thirty-eight thousand one hundred fifty-one dollars (\$38,151)~~ thirty-
14 six thousand two hundred dollars (\$36,200) payable monthly, and an expense allowance
15 of one thousand ~~four-two~~ hundred thirteen dollars ~~(\$1,413)~~ (\$1,213) per month. The
16 Speaker Pro Tempore of the House shall be paid an annual salary of ~~twenty-one thousand~~
17 ~~seven hundred thirty-nine dollars (\$21,739)~~ nineteen thousand seven hundred eighty-eight
18 dollars (\$19,788) payable monthly, and an expense allowance of ~~eight-six~~ hundred thirty-
19 ~~six dollars (\$836.00)~~ six dollars (\$636.00) per month. The Deputy President Pro Tempore of the

1 Senate shall be paid an annual salary of ~~twenty-one thousand seven hundred thirty-nine~~
2 ~~dollars (\$21,739)~~ nineteen thousand seven hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$19,788) payable
3 monthly, and an expense allowance of ~~eight-six hundred thirty-six dollars (\$836.00)~~
4 (\$636.00) per month. The majority and minority leaders in the House and the majority
5 and minority leaders in the Senate shall be paid an annual salary of ~~seventeen thousand~~
6 ~~forty-eight dollars (\$17,048)~~ fifteen thousand ninety-seven dollars (\$15,097) payable
7 monthly, and an expense allowance of ~~six-four hundred sixty-six dollars (\$666.00)~~
8 (\$466.00) per month.

9 (b) Every other member of the General Assembly shall receive increases in annual
10 salary only to the extent of and in the amounts equal to the average increases received by
11 employees of the State, effective upon convening of the next Regular Session of the
12 General Assembly after enactment of these increased amounts. ~~Accordingly, upon~~
13 ~~convening of the 1995 Regular Session of the General Assembly, every~~ Every other member of
14 the General Assembly shall be paid an annual salary of ~~thirteen thousand nine hundred fifty-~~
15 ~~one dollars (\$13,951)~~ twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) payable monthly, and an expense
16 allowance of ~~five hundred fifty-nine dollars (\$559.00)~~ three hundred fifty-nine dollars
17 (\$359.00) per month.

18 (c) The salary and expense allowances provided in this section are in addition to
19 any per diem compensation and any subsistence and travel allowance authorized by any
20 other law with respect to any regular or extra session of the General Assembly, and
21 service on any State board, agency, commission, standing committee and study
22 commission."

23 Sec. 2. G.S. 120-4.8(5) reads as rewritten:

24 "(5) 'Compensation' means salary ~~and expense allowance~~ paid for service as a
25 legislator for service in the North Carolina General Assembly, exclusive
26 of travel and per diem. ~~travel, per diem, and expense allowances."~~

27 Sec. 3. Section 1 of this act becomes effective July 1, 1995. Section 2 of this
28 act becomes effective with respect to persons retiring on or after July 1, 1995.