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Introduced by M. of A. TEDISCO -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. THIELE
-- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the legislative law and the executive law, in relation to assessing a penalty upon members of the legislature and the governor for failure to enact a timely state budget

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. The section heading of section 5 of the legislative law, as
2 amended by chapter 141 of the laws of 1994, is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 Compensation of members; PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO ENACT BUDGET.

5 S 2. Section 5 of the legislative law is amended by adding a new
6 subdivision 4 to read as follows:

7 4. (A) IN ANY YEAR WHERE PRIOR TO APRIL FIRST, THE LEGISLATURE FAILS
8 TO PASS THE BILLS, WITH OR WITHOUT AMENDMENTS, SUBMITTED TO IT BY THE
9 GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO SECTION THREE OF ARTICLE SEVEN OF THE CONSTITUTION
10 MAKING APPROPRIATIONS AND REAPPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF GOVERN-
11 MENT, CONSTITUTING THE STATE BUDGET, THE TEMPORARY PRESIDENT OF THE
12 SENATE, THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE SENATE, THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY
13 AND THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE ASSEMBLY SHALL BE PENALIZED IN AN AMOUNT
14 EQUAL TO SEVENTY-NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS MULTIPLIED BY A
15 FRACTION THE NUMERATOR OF WHICH IS TWO AND THE DENOMINATOR OF WHICH IS
16 THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE AND ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE SHALL
17 BE PENALIZED IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO SEVENTY-NINE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED
18 DOLLARS MULTIPLIED BY A FRACTION THE NUMERATOR OF WHICH IS ONE AND THE
19 DENOMINATOR OF WHICH IS THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE FOR EACH DAY DURING THE
20 PERIOD BEGINNING WITH APRIL FIRST AND ENDING ON THE DAY THE LAST OF SUCH
21 BILLS ARE PASSED BY THE HOUSE IN WHICH HE SERVES.

22 (B) THE COMPTROLLER SHALL TRANSFER ANY FUNDS RESULTING FROM THE OPERA-
23 TION OF PARAGRAPH (A) OF THIS SUBDIVISION FROM THE STATE PURPOSES
24 ACCOUNT IN THE GENERAL FUND TO THE WILLIAM B. HOYT MEMORIAL CHILDREN AND

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 FAMILY TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION FOUR HUNDRED
2 EIGHTY-ONE-F OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES LAW. SUCH FUNDS SO TRANSFERRED SHALL
3 BE SUPPLEMENTAL TO ANY OTHER APPROPRIATIONS MADE FOR THE BENEFIT OF SUCH
4 FUND AND SHALL NOT BE USED TO OFFSET OTHER ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS MADE TO
5 THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE FOR PURPOSES OF ARTICLE TEN-A OF THE
6 SOCIAL SERVICES LAW.

7 S 3. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 13 to read
8 as follows:

9 S 13. COMPENSATION OF THE GOVERNOR. (A) IN ANY YEAR WHERE PRIOR TO
10 APRIL FIRST, THE LEGISLATURE FAILS TO PASS THE BILLS, WITH OR WITHOUT
11 AMENDMENTS, SUBMITTED TO IT BY THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO SECTION THREE OF
12 ARTICLE SEVEN OF THE CONSTITUTION MAKING APPROPRIATIONS AND REAPPROPRI-
13 ATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF GOVERNMENT, CONSTITUTING THE STATE BUDGET, THE
14 GOVERNOR SHALL BE PENALIZED IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO ONE HUNDRED
15 SEVENTY-NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS MULTIPLIED BY A FRACTION THE NUMERATOR OF
16 WHICH IS TWO AND THE DENOMINATOR OF WHICH IS THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE
17 FOR EACH DAY DURING THE PERIOD BEGINNING WITH APRIL FIRST AND ENDING ON
18 THE DAY THE LAST OF SUCH BILLS ARE PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE.

19 (B) THE COMPTROLLER SHALL TRANSFER ANY FUNDS RESULTING FROM THE OPERA-
20 TION OF SUBDIVISION (A) OF THIS SECTION FROM THE STATE PURPOSES ACCOUNT
21 IN THE GENERAL FUND TO THE WILLIAM B. HOYT MEMORIAL CHILDREN AND FAMILY
22 TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY-ONE-F OF
23 THE SOCIAL SERVICES LAW. SUCH FUNDS SO TRANSFERRED SHALL BE SUPPLEMENTAL
24 TO ANY OTHER APPROPRIATIONS MADE FOR THE BENEFIT OF SUCH FUND AND SHALL
25 NOT BE USED TO OFFSET OTHER ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS MADE TO THE DEPARTMENT
26 OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE FOR PURPOSES OF ARTICLE TEN-A OF THE SOCIAL
27 SERVICES LAW.

28 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.