STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

May 12, 2022

Introduced by Sen. GRIFFO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Ethics and Internal Governance

AN ACT to amend the legislative law, in relation to reducing the salary of members of the state legislature and providing that the regular legislative session shall end by March 31 annually

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 5 of the legislative law, as amended by chapter 635 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

1. Effective January first, [~~nineteen hundred ninety-nine~~] **two thousand twenty-three**, each member of the legislature shall receive a salary of [~~seventy-nine~~] **forty-eight** thousand [~~five hundred~~] dollars per annum. Such salary of a member of the legislature shall be payable in twenty-six bi-weekly installments provided, however, that if legislative passage of the budget as defined in subdivision three of this section has not occurred prior to the first day of any fiscal year, the net amount of any such bi-weekly salary installment payments to be paid on or after such day shall be withheld and not paid until such legislative passage of the budget has occurred whereupon bi-weekly salary installment payments shall resume and an amount equal to the accrued, withheld and unpaid installments shall be promptly paid to each member.

For purposes of this section, net amount shall mean gross salary minus any or all of the following deductions: federal taxes, state taxes, social security taxes, city taxes, payments on retirement loans, retirement contributions, contributions to health insurance or other group insurance programs, child support and court ordered payments.

§ 2. The legislative law is amended by adding a new article 1-B to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1-B

LEGISLATIVE SESSION CALENDAR

Section 1-aa. Establishment of the legislative session calendar.

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

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§ 1-aa. Establishment of the legislative session calendar. The calendar of the legislative session shall be established annually as agreed upon by the president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly, except that no ordinary legislative session shall be scheduled after March thirty-first of each calendar year.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.