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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. WEBER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the legislative law and the state finance law, in relation to the payment of compensation and allowances to members of the state legislature; and to amend the executive law, in relation to compensation of the governor

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, the opening paragraph as amended by chapter 841 of the laws of 2022, is amended to read as follows:

1. Effective January first, two thousand twenty-three, each member of the legislature shall receive a salary of one hundred forty-two thousand 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]~~ forfeited in perpetuity by 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.

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

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§ 2. Paragraph c of subdivision 2 of section 5-a of the legislative law, as added by chapter 635 of the laws of 1998, is amended to read as follows:

c. If legislative passage of the budget as defined in subdivision three of section five of this article has not occurred prior to the first day of any fiscal year, the net amount of any allowances authorized pursuant to this section to be paid on or after such date shall be withheld and ~~[not paid until such legislative passage of the budget has occurred whereupon the payment of such allowances in an amount equal to the withheld and unpaid payments shall be paid pursuant to paragraph b of this subdivision]~~ forfeited in perpetuity by 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.

§ 3. Subdivision 2 of section 24 of the state finance law is amended by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

(c) On or after April first, two thousand twenty-six, any such salary installment payments to be paid on or after such day to the governor and members of the legislature shall be withheld and be forfeited in perpetuity until such legislative passage of the budget has occurred.

§ 4. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 13 to read as follows:

§ 13. Compensation of the governor; legislative passage of the budget. 1. If legislative passage of the budget has not occurred prior to the first day of any fiscal year, the governor's bi-weekly salary installment payments to be paid on or after such day shall be withheld and forfeited in perpetuity until such legislative passage of the budget has occurred.

2. For the purposes of this section, "legislative passage of the budget" shall mean that the appropriation bill or bills submitted by the governor pursuant to section three of article seven of the state constitution have been finally acted on by both houses of the legislature in accordance with article seven of the state constitution and the state comptroller has determined that such appropriation bill or bills that have been finally acted on by the legislature are sufficient for the ongoing operation and support of state government and local assistance for the ensuing fiscal year. In addition, legislation submitted by the governor pursuant to section three of article seven of the state constitution determined necessary by the legislature for the effective implementation of such appropriation bill or bills shall have been acted on.

§ 5. This act shall take effect immediately.