



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5907

LCO No. 2481

Referred to Committee on Appropriations

Introduced by:
(APP)

An Act Concerning The Compensation Of Elected State Officials.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 3-2 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 The Governor shall receive an annual salary of [seventy-eight
4 thousand dollars] one hundred fifty thousand dollars and the
5 Lieutenant Governor shall receive an annual salary of [seventy-one
6 thousand five hundred dollars] one hundred ten thousand dollars. The
7 Governor shall devote full time to the duties of the office.

8 Sec. 2. Section 3-11 of the general statutes is repealed and the
9 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

10 The Treasurer shall receive an annual salary of [seventy thousand
11 dollars] one hundred ten thousand dollars. Before [he enters] entering
12 upon the execution of the duties of [his] the office, [he] the Treasurer
13 shall give a bond to the state, with sufficient surety, in the sum of two
14 hundred thousand dollars, for the term for which [he] the Treasurer

15 has been elected, which bond shall be conditioned for the faithful
16 performance of [his] such duties other than in connection with the
17 School Fund. The Treasurer shall devote full time to the duties of the
18 office.

19 Sec. 3. Section 3-77 of the general statutes is repealed and the
20 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

21 The Secretary shall keep all the public records and documents and
22 record all acts, orders, grants and resolutions of the General Assembly,
23 including all resolutions of appointment and resolutions directing
24 orders to be drawn on the Treasurer, and give true copies thereof
25 when required. The Secretary shall keep the records and files of the
26 Superior Court previous to May, 1798, and the original books and
27 papers of the late Connecticut Land Company; provided the Secretary
28 may turn over any such records, documents or papers to the State
29 Library in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4c. The
30 Secretary may give certified copies of any entries in such records, files,
31 books or other papers and of the files and records of said Superior
32 Court and of the Supreme Court, remaining in the office, which copies
33 shall be legal evidence. The Secretary shall be the keeper of the seal of
34 the state, which shall not be altered, and shall affix the same to acts,
35 laws, orders, commissions, instruments and certificates, when
36 requested or required by law. In accordance with established
37 procedures, the Secretary may enter into such contractual agreements
38 as may be necessary for the discharge of the Secretary's duties. The
39 Secretary shall receive an annual salary of [sixty-five thousand dollars]
40 one hundred ten thousand dollars and shall devote full time to the
41 duties of the office.

42 Sec. 4. Section 3-111 of the general statutes is repealed and the
43 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

44 The Comptroller shall receive an annual salary of [sixty-five
45 thousand dollars] one hundred ten thousand dollars and shall devote
46 full time to the duties of the office. [He] The Comptroller shall give

47 bond in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

48 Sec. 5. Section 3-124 of the general statutes is repealed and the
49 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

50 There shall be an Attorney General to be elected in the same manner
51 as other state officers in accordance with the provisions of section 9-
52 181. [He] The Attorney General shall be an elector of this state and an
53 attorney at law of at least ten years' active practice at the bar of this
54 state. [His] The office of the Attorney General shall be at the Capitol.
55 [He] The Attorney General shall receive an annual salary of [seventy-
56 five thousand dollars] one hundred ten thousand dollars. The Attorney
57 General shall devote full time to the duties of the office [The
58 Attorney General] and shall give bond in the sum of ten thousand
59 dollars.

60 Sec. 6. Section 2-8 of the general statutes is repealed and the
61 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

62 (a) Each member of the General Assembly shall receive [twenty-one
63 thousand seven hundred eighty-eight dollars] twenty-eight thousand
64 dollars for each year of the term for which [he] such member is elected,
65 to be paid as follows: In each year of the term, one-fifth within the first
66 ten days of February and thereafter one-fifth within the first ten days
67 of each succeeding month until total compensation for the year is paid.
68 Any member may elect to receive one-twelfth of the total
69 compensation to which [he] such member is entitled under the
70 provisions of this section in any year, payable in equal monthly
71 instalments during such year commencing in the month of January. If
72 any such member resigns for reasons of health or dies before receiving
73 the full compensation to which [he] such member is entitled for such
74 year, the balance of such compensation shall be immediately payable
75 to [him] such member or to [his] such member's estate.

76 (b) Each member shall receive, in addition to the compensation
77 payable under subsection (a) of this section and the transportation

78 allowance payable under section 2-15, the sum of four thousand five
79 hundred dollars if a member of the House of Representatives or the
80 sum of five thousand five hundred dollars if a member of the Senate
81 for each year of the term for which [he] such member is elected as
82 reimbursement for expenses, payable as follows: One-half within the
83 first ten days of February and one-half within ten days after final
84 adjournment of the regular session in each year of the term. If any
85 member resigns for reasons of health or dies before receiving the full
86 amount to which [he] such member is entitled for the year of his
87 resignation or death, the balance of the amount shall be immediately
88 payable to [him] such member or to [his] such member's estate.

89 (c) In lieu of the compensation payable under subsection (a) of this
90 section, the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
91 pro tempore of the Senate shall each receive [thirty thousand one
92 hundred eight dollars] thirty-eight thousand six hundred eighty-nine
93 dollars for each year of the term for which [he] said officer so serves,
94 the majority and minority leaders of the House of Representatives and
95 of the Senate shall each receive [twenty-eight thousand six hundred
96 sixty-five dollars] thirty-six thousand eight hundred thirty-five dollars
97 for each year of the term for which [he] said officer so serves, the
98 deputy speaker and the deputy majority and minority leaders of the
99 House of Representatives and of the Senate shall each receive [twenty-
100 six thousand eight hundred six dollars] thirty-four thousand four
101 hundred forty-six dollars for each year of the term in which [he] said
102 officer so serves, each assistant majority and minority leader and
103 majority and minority whip of the House and Senate and the
104 [chairmen] chairpersons of each joint standing committee, except the
105 Joint Standing Committee on Legislative Management, shall each
106 receive [twenty-five thousand ninety dollars] thirty-two thousand two
107 hundred forty-one dollars for each year of the term in which [he] said
108 chairperson so serves and the ranking members of each joint standing
109 committee, except the Joint Standing Committee on Legislative
110 Management, shall each receive [twenty-three thousand six hundred
111 sixty dollars] thirty thousand four hundred three dollars for each year

112 of the term in which [he] said officer so serves to be paid as provided
113 in subsection (a) of this section. Each of said officers shall receive as
114 reimbursement for expenses for each year of the term for which [he]
115 the officer is elected five thousand five hundred dollars if the officer is
116 a senator and four thousand five hundred dollars if the officer is a
117 representative, payable as provided in subsection (b) of this section.
118 Each of said officers shall have the same option to elect payment of
119 one-twelfth of [his] the officer's compensation for each year of the term
120 for which [he] the officer is elected payable in equal monthly
121 instalments in such year as is provided for other members under the
122 provisions of subsection (a) of this section.

123 (d) In lieu of the compensation provided by subsections (a) and (b)
124 of this section, any member elected to fill any unexpired term shall
125 receive the following: (1) For less than a full year of a term, a pro rata
126 amount of the compensation payable under said subsection (a) and, in
127 addition to the transportation allowance payable under section 2-15, a
128 pro rata amount of the sum payable under subsection (b) as
129 reimbursement for expenses, both payable upon certification of [his]
130 such member's election; (2) for a full year of a term, the compensation
131 and expenses provided in subsections (a) and (b), both payable upon
132 certification of [his] such member's election.

133 (e) No person who is elected to serve in one house of the General
134 Assembly and is thereafter elected to fill a vacancy in the other house
135 for the unexpired portion of the same term shall receive total
136 compensation or total reimbursement for expenses for such term in an
137 amount greater than that to which [he] such person was entitled on
138 [his] such person's election to the first house.

139 (f) Any member who resigns for reasons other than health or
140 election to the other house prior to the expiration of any year of the
141 term for which [he] such member was elected, and who has received
142 the total compensation and reimbursement for expenses provided
143 under subsections (a) and (b) of this section for that year, shall

144 reimburse the state in an amount equal to that portion of such total
145 compensation and expense reimbursement attributable to the
146 remainder of the year in which [he] such member resigns.

147 Sec. 8. This act shall take effect January 3, 2001, except sections 1 to
148 5, inclusive, shall take effect January 8, 2003.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the compensation of elected state officials.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]