THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, DECEMBER 17, 2009

AN ACT

- 1 Requiring forfeiture of salaries for the Governor, Lieutenant
- Governor, cabinet members and members of the General Assembly
- for failure to pass a timely budget.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Salary forfeiture.
- 7 (a) Salaries to be withheld.--In the event that a balanced
- 8 operating budget, including a General Appropriation Act and a
- 9 General Revenue Act or acts, if necessary, has not be enacted by
- 10 12 midnight on the final day of any fiscal year, the Secretary
- 11 of the Budget, the Chief Clerk of the Senate and the Chief Clerk
- 12 of the House of Representatives shall withhold all salaries for
- 13 the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, cabinet members and members
- 14 of the General Assembly.
- 15 (b) Procedure. -- In the event that a budget is not passed in
- 16 accordance with subsection (a), the Governor, Lieutenant
- 17 Governor, cabinet members, and members of the General Assembly
- 18 shall forfeit a proportional amount of pay for each day that the

- 1 budget is not passed. There shall be no retroactive repayment of
- 2 salary once the budget is passed. The Secretary of the Budget,
- 3 the Chief Clerk of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House
- 4 of Representatives shall determine the amount of pay to be
- 5 forfeited and shall transfer the forfeited salary to the General
- 6 Fund.
- 7 Section 2. Effective date.
- 8 This act shall take effect immediately.