
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 244 Session of
2023

INTRODUCED BY BOROWICZ, HAMM, STAMBAUGH, KEPHART AND SMITH,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 10, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of September 30, 1983 (P.L.160, No.39),
2 entitled "An act establishing salaries and compensation of
3 certain public officials including justices and judges of
4 Statewide courts, judges of courts of common pleas, judges of
5 the Philadelphia Municipal Court, judges of the Philadelphia
6 Traffic Court, district justices and the Governor, the
7 Lieutenant Governor, the State Treasurer, the Auditor
8 General, the Attorney General and certain other State
9 officers and the salary and certain expenses of the members
10 of the General Assembly; and repealing certain inconsistent
11 acts," further providing for members of the General Assembly.

12 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
13 hereby enacts as follows:

14 Section 1. Section 4(d)(1) and (d.1)(1) of the act of
15 September 30, 1983 (P.L.160, No.39), known as the Public
16 Official Compensation Law, are amended to read:

17 Section 4. Members of the General Assembly.

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19 (d) Subsequent annual cost-of-living adjustment for
20 members.--

21 (1) Except as provided under paragraph (2), for the 12-
22 month period beginning December 1, 1997, through November 30,

1 1998, and for each like 12-month period thereafter until
2 November 30, 2022, the salary of the members of the General
3 Assembly shall be increased by an annual cost-of-living
4 adjustment calculated by applying the percentage change in
5 the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for
6 the Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland area, for
7 the most recent 12-month period for which figures have been
8 officially reported by the United States Department of Labor,
9 Bureau of Labor Statistics immediately prior to the date the
10 adjustment is due to take effect, to the then current salary
11 amounts. The percentage increase and the new salary amounts
12 shall be determined jointly by the Chief Clerk of the Senate
13 and the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives prior to
14 the annual effective date of the adjustment and shall be
15 published by them in the Pennsylvania Bulletin within ten
16 days of the date such determination is made.

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18 (d.1) Subsequent annual cost-of-living adjustment for
19 officers and leaders.--

20 (1) Except as provided under paragraph (2), for the 12-
21 month period beginning December 1, 1997, through November 30,
22 1998, and for each like 12-month period thereafter until
23 November 30, 2022, the additional compensation of the
24 officers and leaders of the General Assembly shall be
25 increased by an annual cost-of-living adjustment calculated
26 by applying the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index
27 for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the Pennsylvania, New
28 Jersey, Delaware and Maryland area, for the most recent 12-
29 month period for which figures have been officially reported
30 by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor

1 Statistics immediately prior to the date the adjustment is
2 due to take effect, to the then current compensation. The
3 percentage increase and the new compensation amounts shall be
4 determined jointly by the Chief Clerk of the Senate and the
5 Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives prior to the
6 annual effective date of the adjustment and shall be
7 published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin within 20 days
8 immediately prior to each cost-of-living increase taking
9 effect.

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11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.