

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1989

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HOUSE BILL 118

Short Title: No Per Diem After June 30.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Arnold.

Referred to: Rules.

February 1, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT NO PER DIEM AND WEEKLY TRAVEL
2 ALLOWANCE SHALL BE PAID TO MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS AFTER JUNE 30.

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5 Whereas, the General Assembly should be able to complete its business by
6 June 30 of each odd-numbered year; and

7 Whereas, adjournment by such date will allow passage of a budget before the
8 beginning of the biennium which it will cover; and

9 Whereas, ending per diem on June 30 will be an encouragement to finish the
10 business of the session, not to mention saving significant funds for operation of the
11 General Assembly; and

12 Whereas, the cost of operating the General Assembly exceeds sixty-six
13 thousand dollars (\$66,000) per day, and these funds will be saved by shortening the
14 session; and

15 Whereas, shorter sessions will assist members of the General Assembly to
16 serve with the least amount of disruption; Now, therefore,
17 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

18 Section 1. G.S. 120-3.1(c) reads as rewritten:

19 "(c) When the General Assembly by joint action of the two houses adjourns to a day
20 certain, which day is more than three days after the date of adjournment, the period
21 between the date of adjournment and the date of reconvening shall for the purposes of
22 this section be deemed to be a period when the General Assembly is not in session, and
23 no member shall be entitled to subsistence and travel allowance during that period,
24 except under circumstances which would entitle him to subsistence and travel allowance

1 when the General Assembly is not in session. The period in odd-numbered years after
2 June 30 shall for the purposes of this section be deemed to be a period when the General
3 Assembly is not in session, and no member shall be entitled to subsistence and travel
4 allowance during that period, except under circumstances which would entitle him to
5 subsistence and travel allowance when the General Assembly is not in session."

6 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.