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H 1495. FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT. REDUCING THE PAY OF MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; LIMITING MEMBER PER DIEM PAYMENTS DURING SESSION TO LEGISLATIVE DAYS ONLY; AND LOWERING THE PAY OF CERTAIN OTHER STATE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES. Amends GS 120-3 to lower the annual salary of the Speaker of the House from \$38,151 to \$34,000 and the expense allowance for that office from \$1,413 to \$1,200 per month; to lower the annual salary of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate from \$38,151 to \$34,000 and the expense allowance for that office from \$1,413 to \$1,200 per month; to lower the annual salary of the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House from \$21,739 to \$19,000 and the expense allowance for that office from \$836 to \$750 per month; to lower the annual salary of the Deputy President Pro Tempore of the Senate from \$21,739 to \$19,000 and the expense allowance for that office from \$836 to \$750 per month; and to lower the annual salaries of the majority and minority leaders of the House and Senate from \$17,048 to \$15,000 and the expense allowance for those offices from \$666 to \$555 per month. Lowers the annual salary for other members of the General Assembly from \$13,951 to \$12,000 and their expense allowance from \$559 to \$450 per month. Limits the subsistence allowance for meals and lodging for General Assembly members to days that the legislature is in session. Lowers the salaries of executive branch officials as follows:

- Chair of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission, from \$92,946 to \$85,000
- State Controller, from \$130,078 to \$120,000
- Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, from \$92,946 to \$85,000
- Commissioner of Banks, from \$104,523 to \$95,000
- Chair of the Employment Security Commission, from \$129,913 to \$120,000
- State Personnel Director, from \$102,119 to \$94,000
- Chair of the Parole Commission, from \$84,871 to \$78,000
- Members of the Parole Commission, from \$78,356 to \$73,000
- Chair of the Utilities Commission, from \$116,405 to \$108,000
- Members of the Utilities Commission, from \$104,523 to \$98,000
- Executive Director of the Agency for Public Telecommunications, from \$78,356 to \$73,000
- General Manager of the Ports Railway Commission, from \$70,755 to \$67,500
- Director of the Museum of Art, from \$95,240 to \$88,000
- Executive Director of the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency, from \$115,031 to \$107,000
- Executive Director of the North Carolina Agricultural Finance Authority, from \$90,470 to \$84,000
- State Chief Information Officer, from \$130,000 to \$120,000

Amends GS 97-78(a) to provide that salaries of members of the NC Industrial Commission must be 90% of that fixed for district attorneys (now, the same as for district attorneys). Provisions affecting executive branch officials effective July 1, 2002; other provisions effective when it becomes law.

Intro. by Crawford.

Ref. to Rules	GS 97, 120
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