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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Elections

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; providing that legislators do not receive
1.3 compensation during a period of government shutdown; proposing coding for
1.4 new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 15A.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. [15A.23] NO COMPENSATION DURING GOVERNMENT
1.7 SHUTDOWN.

1.8 (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a legislator must not receive salary,
1.9 per diem, or an employer contribution for insurance premiums during a period of a state
1.10 government shutdown. For purposes of this section, "state government shutdown" means
1.11 a period after July 1 of an odd-numbered year in which certain government agencies and
1.12 programs are not operating because one or more of the bills enacting appropriations in the
1.13 following areas for the period beginning July 1 of that year have not been enacted: E-12
1.14 education; agriculture; environment and natural resources; health and human services;
1.15 state government; jobs and economic development; transportation; judiciary; public
1.16 safety; and aids to local government.

1.17 (b) For legislators to receive compensation, this section does not require bills to be
1.18 organized in the manner specified in this section, provided that appropriations are enacted
1.19 covering all of the topics listed in paragraph (a). For legislators to receive compensation,
1.20 this section does not require funding for any particular agency or program, provided that a
1.21 bill has been enacted covering the general subject areas specified in paragraph (a).