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S.39 (Vetoed). Legislature; salaries and fees; health insurance; legislator compensation and benefits

This bill would have increased the compensation for members of the General Assembly and made members eligible for the same health insurance benefits offered to State employees. It would have allowed members of the General Assembly to choose whether to receive an allowance for their meals and lodging during the legislative session or reimbursement of their actual meals and lodging expenses. The bill would have provided for legislative leave from employment in a part-time job as well as in a full-time job and extended the deadline for employees to notify their employers that they intend to invoke the right to a leave of absence if elected to the General Assembly. The bill also would have created the Legislative Service Working Group to consider and make recommendations on issues related to serving as a member of the Vermont General Assembly.

Vetoed by the Governor: May 31, 2023

Effective Date: Not applicable