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STATE OF COLORADO

INTRODUCED

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SENATE BILL 12-019

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SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Shaffer B.,

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

Kerr A.,

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Senate Committees  
State, Veterans & Military Affairs

House Committees

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING SUSPENSION OF PAYMENTS TO A MEMBER OF THE  
102 GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN THE EVENT THAT THE GENERAL  
103 ASSEMBLY FAILS TO PASS BILLS CRITICAL TO FINANCING  
104 GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.

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Bill Summary

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)*

The bill suspends all compensation, reimbursement, or other payments of any kind to a member of the general assembly if the general

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

assembly fails to present to the governor both the annual general appropriation act and the annual school finance act. If applicable, the pay is suspended as of the first day of the interim until such time the general assembly presents both such bills to the governor or December 1 of the same year, whichever is earlier.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2           **SECTION 1. Short title.** This act shall be known and may be  
3 cited as the "Colorado On-time Budget Act of 2012".

4           **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-2-307, **add** (6) as  
5 follows:

6           **2-2-307. Compensation of members - reimbursement of**  
7 **expenses - suspension.** (6) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF LAW  
8 TO THE CONTRARY, ALL PAYMENTS OF ANY KIND REQUIRED OR PERMITTED  
9 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION TO A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
10 ARE SUSPENDED ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE INTERIM BETWEEN SESSIONS IF,  
11 DURING THE JUST COMPLETED REGULAR SESSION, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
12 FAILS TO PRESENT TO THE GOVERNOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL  
13 APPROPRIATION ACT AND THE ANNUAL PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE ACT.  
14 PAYMENTS RECOMMENCE WHEN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY PRESENTS BOTH  
15 SUCH BILLS TO THE GOVERNOR OR DECEMBER 1 OF THE SAME YEAR,  
16 WHICHEVER IS EARLIER. WHEN PAYMENTS RECOMMENCE, A MEMBER OF  
17 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE ALL SUSPENDED  
18 PAYMENTS ON THE NEXT POSSIBLE REGULARLY SCHEDULED PAY PERIOD.

19           **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 2-2-317, **add** (4) as  
20 follows:

21           **2-2-317. Expense, subsistence, and travel allowance -**  
22 **suspension - repeal.** (4) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF LAW TO  
23 THE CONTRARY, ALL PAYMENTS OF ANY KIND REQUIRED OR PERMITTED

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10 PAYMENTS ON THE NEXT POSSIBLE REGULARLY SCHEDULED PAY PERIOD.

11 **SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
12 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
13 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.