

105TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# S. 821

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 3, 1997

Mr. BROWNBACK introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. REDUCTION IN PAY FOR MEMBERS OF CON-**  
4       **GRESS.**

5       (a) IN GENERAL.—The rate of pay for each Member  
6       of Congress described under section 601(a) of the Legisla-  
7       tive Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 31) shall be  
8       equal to 90 percent of the rate of pay of each such Mem-  
9       ber as in effect on the date of enactment of this Act.

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1 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect  
 2 on the first day of the first applicable pay period beginning  
 3 on or after the date on which the 106th Congress first  
 4 convenes.

5 **SEC. 2. ELIMINATION OF AUTOMATIC PAY ADJUSTMENTS**  
 6 **FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.**

7 (a) PAY ADJUSTMENTS.—Paragraph (2) of section  
 8 601(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2  
 9 U.S.C. 31) is repealed.

10 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 601(a)(1)  
 11 of such Act is amended—

- 12 (1) by striking “(a)(1)” and inserting “(a)”;
- 13 (2) by redesignating subparagraphs (A), (B),  
 14 and (C) as paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), respectively;  
 15 and
- 16 (3) by striking “, as adjusted by paragraph (2)  
 17 of this subsection”.

18 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect  
 19 on January 3, 1999.

20 **SEC. 3. LOCK BOX FOR SAVINGS.**

21 (a) PRESIDENT.—Not later than 5 days after the  
 22 date of enactment of this Act, the President shall, with  
 23 respect to the savings resulting from the enactment of this  
 24 Act, reduce the discretionary spending limits under section  
 25 601 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C.

1 665) for the budget year and each outyear to reflect any  
2 such reduction.

3 (b) CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—Not later than  
4 5 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the chairs  
5 of the Committees on the Budget of the Senate and the  
6 House of Representatives shall revise levels under section  
7 311(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C.  
8 642) and adjust the committee allocations under section  
9 602(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C.  
10 665a(a)) to reflect the amount referred to in subsection  
11 (a).

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