

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2017**

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**SENATE BILL 441**

Short Title: No Budget, No Pay Act. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senators Chaudhuri and Lee (Primary Sponsors).

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Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

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March 29, 2017

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE SALARIES OF MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL  
2 ASSEMBLY SHALL BE HELD IN ESCROW IF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS  
3 NOT PASSED A BUDGET FOR THE 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR BY JUNE 30, 2017.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Holding Salaries in Escrow. – If, by midnight of June 30, 2017, the  
6 presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the North Carolina General  
7 Assembly have not ratified a Current Operations Appropriations Act for the 2017-2018 fiscal  
8 year, the Legislative Services Officer shall direct the General Assembly Controller to deposit in  
9 an escrow account all compensation and allowances earned by or accruing to each member of  
10 the General Assembly on or after July 1, 2017.

11 **SECTION 2.** Release of Funds. – The Controller shall release the funds held in  
12 escrow pursuant to Section 1 of this act upon the earlier of the following events:

- 13 (1) The presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the  
14 North Carolina General Assembly ratify a Current Operations  
15 Appropriations Act for the 2017-2018 fiscal year; or  
16 (2) Adjournment sine die of the 2017 North Carolina General Assembly.

17 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.  
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