

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 102

To repeal the provision of law that provides automatic pay adjustments
for Members of Congress.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. VITTER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

To repeal the provision of law that provides automatic pay
adjustments for Members of Congress.

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. ELIMINATION OF AUTOMATIC PAY ADJUST-**
4 **MENTS FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (2) of section 601(a)
6 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C.
7 31) is repealed.

8 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—
9 Section 601(a)(1) of such Act is amended—

10 (1) by striking “(a)(1)” and inserting “(a)”;

1 (2) by redesignating subparagraphs (A), (B),
 2 and (C) as paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), respectively;
 3 and

4 (3) by striking “as adjusted by paragraph (2)
 5 of this subsection” and inserting “adjusted as pro-
 6 vided by law”.

7 **SEC. 2. ROLL CALL VOTE IN THE SENATE ON PAY ADJUST-**
 8 **MENTS FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.**

9 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—It shall not be in order in the Sen-
 10 ate to consider a bill, amendment, resolution, or con-
 11 ference report containing any provision that adjusts the
 12 pay of Members of Congress, unless that provision has
 13 been subject to a roll call vote in the Senate.

14 (b) **SUPERMAJORITY WAIVER AND APPEAL.**—This
 15 section may be waived or suspended in the Senate only
 16 by an affirmative vote of $\frac{3}{5}$ of the Members, duly chosen
 17 and sworn. An affirmative vote of $\frac{3}{5}$ of the Members of
 18 the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required in
 19 the Senate to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair
 20 on a point of order raised under this section.

21 (c) **RULEMAKING POWER OF THE SENATE.**—This
 22 section is enacted by Congress—

23 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of
 24 the Senate and as such it is deemed a part of the
 25 rules of the Senate, but applicable only with respect

1 to the procedure to be followed in the Senate in the
2 case of a provision described under subsection (a),
3 and it supersedes other rules only to the extent that
4 it is inconsistent with such rules; and

5 (2) with full recognition of the constitutional
6 right of the Senate to change the rules (so far as re-
7 lating to the procedure of the Senate) at any time,
8 in the same manner, and to the same extent as in
9 the case of any other rule of the Senate.

10 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

11 This Act shall take effect on February 1, 2011.

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