

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0055

Legislative pay.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Simons and Anderson, R.
and Senator(s) Barton

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the legislature; providing for a
2 constituent service allowance; increasing the salary and
3 per diem paid to legislators as specified; providing an
4 appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 28-5-106 is created to read:

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10 **28-5-106. Constituent service allowance.**

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12 (a) There is created a constituent service allowance
13 account within the special revenue fund. All interest
14 earned on funds within this account shall be deposited in
15 the account. The legislative service office shall oversee
16 and provide reimbursement from the account.

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2 (b) Each member of the legislature is entitled to
3 receive a constituent service allowance as provided under
4 this section. This allowance is intended to defray
5 expenses incurred by each member in providing service to
6 and on behalf of their constituents, which services are in
7 addition to attending sessions of the legislature,
8 attending meetings of interim committees and engaging in
9 authorized interim work for which salary, per diem and
10 mileage is authorized by law. The allowance is subject to
11 the following:

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13 (i) The allowance shall be paid quarterly from
14 the constituent service allowance account upon submission
15 by the legislator to the legislative service office of a
16 claim form verifying that he is a member of the legislature
17 and thereby entitled to the allowance under this section.
18 To the extent funds appropriated for purposes of this
19 section are not sufficient to pay vouchers, payment shall
20 be made on a proportional basis. Legislators may request
21 payment of less than the full amount of the allowance;

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1 (ii) The allowance shall be four hundred fifty
2 dollars (\$450.00) per calendar quarter or fractional
3 portion thereof that the member is in office.

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5 **Section 2.** W.S. 28-5-101(b) and (d) is amended to
6 read:

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8 **28-5-101. Schedule of compensation, per diem and**
9 **travel expenses.**

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11 (b) The amount to be received by each member of the
12 legislature for expenses is increased to forty-four dollars
13 (\$44.00) per day effective January 1, 1980, to sixty
14 dollars (\$60.00) per day effective January 1, 1983, ~~and~~ to
15 eighty dollars (\$80.00) per day effective January 9, 1995
16 and to one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day effective
17 January 3, 2005.

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19 (d) From and after January 1, 1985, each member of
20 the legislature shall receive seventy-five dollars (\$75.00)
21 per day as salary and thirty-five cents (\$.35) per mile for
22 necessary travel to attend and return from the legislature.
23 From and after January 9, 1995, each member of the
24 legislature shall receive one hundred twenty-five dollars

1 (\$125.00) per day as salary in addition to the mileage rate
2 provided for in this subsection. From and after January 3,
3 2005, each member of the legislature shall receive two
4 hundred twenty-five dollars (\$225.00) per day as salary in
5 addition to the mileage rate provided for in this
6 subsection.

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8 **Section 3.** There is appropriated one hundred sixty-
9 two thousand dollars (\$162,000.00) from the general fund to
10 the constituent service allowance account created under
11 W.S. 28-5-106(a). For purposes of this act for the fiscal
12 year beginning July 1, 2002.

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14 **Section 4.** This act is effective July 1, 2002.

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