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HON. MR. CRAWFORD

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(Assented to _____, 1986)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1 The Legislative Assembly Act is amended by this Act.

2 Section 39(1) is amended

(a) in clause (a) by striking out "\$24 310" and substituting "\$28 141";

(b) in clause (b) by striking out "of \$7150 a year" and substituting "prescribed by the Members' Services Committee".

3 Section 41 is amended

(a) in subsection (1) by striking out "of \$75 a day" and substituting "prescribed by the Members' Services Committee";

(b) in subsection (3) by striking out "24 days in" and substituting "the maximum number of days prescribed by the Members' Services Committee for".

Explanatory Notes

1 This Bill will amend chapter L-10.1 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1983.

2 Section 39 presently reads:

39(1) There shall be paid to each Member

(a) an indemnity allowance at the rate of \$24 310 a year, and

(b) an expense allowance at the rate of \$7150 a year.

(2) The expense allowance referred to in subsection (1) is provided to each Member to pay for expenses of that Member incident to the discharge of his duties as a Member.

(3) The allowances under this section shall be paid in monthly amounts of not more than 1/12 of the rate of the yearly allowance.

(4) For the purpose of computing the amount of an allowance payable under this section, the Member is deemed

(a) to have been a Member from the polling day of the election in which he was a candidate, and

(b) when the Legislature is dissolved, to remain a Member until

(i) the day preceding the polling day of the general election following the dissolution, or

(ii) the date of the Member's death,

whichever occurs first.

3 Section 41 presently reads:

41(1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), where it is reasonably necessary for a Member to live in a temporary residence in or near Edmonton for the purpose of carrying out his duties as a Member, the Member may claim and be paid an allowance at the rate of \$75 a day for

(a) each day of a sitting of the Assembly during which he was a Member and maintained that residence, and

(b) each day on which he was in or near Edmonton on public or official business and maintained that residence

(i) during a period of adjournment of more than 8 days during a session of the Assembly, or

(ii) during a period when the Assembly was not in session.

4 Section 42(1)(b) is amended by striking out “of \$75 per day” and substituting “prescribed by the Members’ Services Committee”.

5 Section 45 is amended by adding the following after subsection (1):

(1.1) The Members’ Services Committee shall by order prescribe

- (a) the expense allowance referred to in section 39(1)(b),
- (b) the allowances referred to in sections 41(1) and 42(1)(b),
and
- (c) the maximum number of days referred to in section 41(3).

(2) A Member is not entitled to receive a payment pursuant to subsection (1)(a) in respect of any day in respect of which a deduction is made from his allowances under section 40.

(3) A Member is not entitled to receive payments under subsection (1)(b) in respect of more than 24 days in any year.

4 Section 42 presently reads:

42(1) During intervals between sessions of the Assembly or while it is adjourned for more than 8 days, a Member who serves on a committee appointed by resolution of the Assembly is entitled to be paid in respect of that service

(a) an allowance of \$100 a day for each day on which he attends a meeting of the committee or is otherwise engaged in the business and affairs of the committee,

(b) an allowance in respect of his living expenses at the rate of \$75 per day

(i) for each day on which he attends committee meetings or is otherwise engaged in the business and affairs of the committee, and

(ii) for each additional day required for travel in connection with the matters referred to in subclause (i),

if he is required to obtain accommodation by reason of his absence from his ordinary place of residence on that day, and

(c) his reasonable travelling expenses for travel otherwise than by private automobile, or an allowance for every kilometre travelled by private automobile at a rate per kilometre prescribed by the Members' Services Committee.

(2) No Member is entitled to be paid any amount under subsection (1) in respect of service on more than one committee on the same day.

5 Section 45 presently reads:

45(1) The Members' Services Committee may by order authorize, on such conditions as the Committee determines,

(a) the payment of allowances and expenses related to the establishment and maintenance of constituency offices of Members;

(b) the participation of Members in group insurance plans or group plans for the prepayment of the cost of services, and the payment by the Crown of all or part of the premiums or subscriptions under those plans;

(b.1) the payment of expenses to or for the benefit of Members where the expenses are related to

(i) attendance at a meeting or event sponsored by the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association or any other parliamentary association or by any other body that is a branch or subdivision of any of those associations, or

(ii) attendance at a meeting or event as a representative of the Assembly or the Speaker;

(c) the payment of other allowances, benefits or expenses to or on behalf of Members or any class of Members if they are related to the performance of their duties as Members;

6 *Section 49.1 is repealed.*

7 *This Act comes into force on October 1, 1986.*

(d) the provision of any services or things to or for the use of Members or the Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Deputy Chairman or the Leader of Her Majesty's loyal opposition.

(2) If an order is made under this section, the chairman of the Members' Services Committee shall lay a copy of the order before the Assembly if it is then sitting or, if it is not then sitting, within 15 days after the commencement of the next sitting.

6 Section 49.1 presently reads:

49.1 Notwithstanding sections 49(1) and 50(2), the increases in the allowances, salaries and deductions effective on January 1, 1984, shall be deemed to have not become effective on that date and shall not become effective on any future date.