



General Assembly

February Session, 2020

***Raised Bill No. 225***

LCO No. 1573



Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by:  
(LAB)

***AN ACT CONCERNING PER DIEM EQUITY FOR STATE BOARD OF  
MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION ARBITRATORS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 31-98 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) The panel, or its single member if sitting in accordance with  
4 section 31-93, may, in its discretion and with the consent of the parties,  
5 issue an oral decision immediately upon conclusion of the proceedings.  
6 If the decision is to be in writing, it shall be signed, within fifteen days,  
7 by a majority of the members of the panel or by the single member so  
8 sitting, and the decision shall state such details as will clearly show the  
9 nature of the decision and the points disposed of by the panel. Where  
10 the decision is in writing, one copy thereof shall be filed by the panel in  
11 the office of the town clerk in the town where the controversy arose and  
12 one copy shall be given to each of the parties to the controversy. The  
13 panel or single member which has rendered an oral decision  
14 immediately upon conclusion of the proceedings shall submit a written  
15 copy of the decision to each party within fifteen days from the issuance

16 of such oral decision. In all cases where a decision is rendered orally  
17 from the bench, the secretary shall cause such oral decision to be  
18 transcribed, approved by the panel or single member as applicable and  
19 filed with the records of the board proceedings.

20 (b) Upon the conclusion of the proceedings, each member of the panel  
21 shall receive three hundred twenty-five dollars and a panel member  
22 who prepares a written decision shall receive an additional five hundred  
23 dollars, or the single member, if sitting in accordance with section 31-93,  
24 shall receive three hundred twenty-five dollars, provided if the  
25 proceedings extend beyond one day, each member shall receive [one  
26 hundred fifty] three hundred twenty-five dollars for each additional  
27 day beyond the first day, and provided further no proceeding may be  
28 extended beyond two days without the prior approval of the Labor  
29 Commissioner for each such additional day.

30 (c) Upon the conclusion of an executive panel session, each member  
31 of such panel shall receive [one] two hundred [fifty] dollars.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	31-98

**Statement of Purpose:**

To ensure per diem compensation equity for State Board of Mediation and Arbitration arbitrators.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*