

SENATE BILL No. 347

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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1 AN ACT concerning legislators; dealing with per calendar day
2 compensation; amending K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 46-137a and repealing the
3 existing section.
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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 46-137a is hereby amended to read as
7 follows: 46-137a. In addition to the compensation provided for by K.S.A.
8 46-137b, 46-137e and 75-3212, and amendments thereto, each member of
9 the legislature shall receive the following amounts:

10 (a) The sum of \$88.66 per calendar day for service at any regular or
11 special session, except as otherwise provided in subsection (e);

12 (b) the sum of \$109 per calendar day for subsistence allowance for
13 any regular or special session of the legislature, except that if the amounts
14 allowable for the capital city of Kansas under applicable federal law and
15 regulations to employees of the executive branch of the federal
16 government for per diem expenses, while away from home but serving in
17 the United States, are amounts which total greater than \$109, then each
18 member of the legislature shall receive such greater total amount per
19 calendar day for subsistence allowance for any regular or special session
20 of the legislature;

21 (c) an allowance of \$354.15 for the two-week period which coincides
22 with the biweekly payroll period which includes April 1st and for each of
23 the 19 ensuing two-week periods thereafter, to defray expenses incurred
24 between sessions of the legislature for postage, telephone, office and other
25 incidental expenses, except as otherwise provided in subsection (f);

26 (d) an allowance for mileage in an amount equal to the rate per mile
27 prescribed under the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3203a, and amendments
28 thereto, multiplied by the number of miles traveled by the usual route in
29 going to and returning from the member's place of residence for any
30 regular or special session of the legislature. Such mileage allowances shall
31 be paid for not to exceed the equivalent of one trip for each full week
32 occurring between convening and adjournment sine die in any regular or
33 special session. The mileage allowance provided under the provisions of
34 this subsection shall not be subject to the restrictions relating to the use of
35 vehicles prescribed by K.S.A. 75-3203 and 75-3203a, and amendments
36 thereto, but shall only be allowed for trips actually made. Compensation

1 and subsistence allowance shall not be allowed under the provisions of
2 subsections (a) and (b) of this section during any period in which the
3 legislature is adjourned for more than two days, Sundays excepted; and

4 (e) whenever the rates of compensation of the pay plan for persons in
5 the classified service under the Kansas civil service act are increased for
6 payroll periods chargeable to fiscal years commencing after June 30, 2009,
7 the rate of compensation per calendar day for members of the legislature
8 for service at any regular or special session of the legislature shall be
9 increased on the effective date of any such pay plan increase by an amount
10 computed by multiplying the average of the percentage increases in all
11 steps of such pay plan by the rate of compensation per calendar day which
12 is authorized by this section for service at any regular or special session of
13 the legislature for the day upon which such increase is computed.

14 (f) Whenever the rates of compensation of the pay plan for persons in
15 the classified service under the Kansas civil service act are increased for
16 payroll periods chargeable to fiscal years commencing after June 30, 2009,
17 the allowance provided for each member of the legislature by subsection
18 (c) to defray expenses incurred between sessions of the legislature for
19 postage, telephone, office and other incidental expenses for each of the
20 two-week periods specified by subsection (c) shall be increased on the
21 effective date of any such pay plan increase by an amount computed by
22 multiplying the average of the percentage increases in all steps of such pay
23 plan by the allowance provided to defray such expenses for each such two-
24 week period as provided by this section.

25 (g) *The compensation and subsistence allowance provided in*
26 *subsections (a) and (b) shall be paid for no more than 90 calendar days*
27 *for any regular session in odd-numbered years and for no more than 60*
28 *calendar days for any regular session in even-numbered years.*

29 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 46-137a is hereby repealed.

30 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
31 publication in the statute book.