

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, APRIL 26, 2022

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of January 10, 1968 (1967 P.L.925, No.417),
 2 entitled "An act relating to officers and employes of the
 3 General Assembly; fixing the number, qualifications,
 4 compensation, mileage and duties of the officers and employes
 5 of the Senate and of the House of Representatives; providing
 6 for their election or appointment, term of office, or of
 7 service, removal and manner of filling vacancies; fixing the
 8 salary of the Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau;
 9 providing for compilation of lists of employes," providing
 10 for electronic posting of expenses.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. The act of January 10, 1968 (1967 P.L.925,
 14 No.417), referred to as the Legislative Officers and Employes
 15 Law, is amended by adding a section to read:

16 Section 57. (a) In addition to any other duty imposed under
 17 any statute, rule, policy or guideline, ~~the Chief Clerk of the~~ <--
 18 ~~Senate,~~ the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives and the
 19 comptroller of the House of Representatives shall provide
 20 quarterly a list of the following expenses of the Senate and <--

1 House of Representatives to the Legislative Data Processing
2 Center for publication on a publicly accessible Internet website
3 FOR ANY MONEY APPROPRIATED SPECIFICALLY TO AND ALLOCATED UNDER A <--
4 SPECIFIC SYMBOL NUMBER FOR ALLOWABLE EXPENSES OF MEMBERS OF THE
5 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

6 (1) Per diems for each member of the Senate and House of <--
7 Representatives.

8 ~~(2) Travel allowances and reimbursements.~~ <--

9 ~~(3) Meals and lodging.~~

10 ~~(4) Equipment and furnishing control and inventory.~~

11 ~~(5) District office expenses.~~

12 ~~(6) Capitol office expenses.~~

13 ~~(7) Official expenses.~~

14 ~~(8) Special expenses.~~

15 ~~(9) Miscellaneous expenses of standing and special~~
16 ~~committees.~~

17 (2) TRAVEL EXPENSES ON LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS, INCLUDING: <--

18 (I) MILEAGE ON SESSION OR NONSESSION DAYS.

19 (II) MISCELLANEOUS TRANSPORTATION ON LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
20 AND EXPENSES OF A SIMILAR NATURE.

21 (III) TRAVEL ON LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS BY COMMON CARRIER.

22 (IV) CAR RENTAL.

23 (V) LODGING, RESTAURANT CHARGES AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS AND
24 INCIDENTAL EXPENSES WHILE AWAY FROM HOME.

25 (3) ADMINISTRATIVE, CLERICAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR
26 LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS, INCLUDING:

27 (I) ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLERICAL SERVICES.

28 (II) PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

29 (4) RENT FOR LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPACE, PURCHASE OF OFFICE
30 SUPPLIES, POSTAGE, TELEPHONE AND ANSWERING SERVICES, PRINTING

1 SERVICES AND RENTAL ONLY OF OFFICE EQUIPMENT.

2 (5) OFFICIAL ENTERTAINMENT, INCLUDING RESTAURANT AND
3 BEVERAGE CHARGES.

4 (6) PURCHASE OF FLAGS, PLAQUES, PUBLICATIONS, PHOTOGRAPHIC
5 SERVICES, BOOKS AND OTHER SIMILAR ITEMS IN CONNECTION WITH
6 LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES.

7 (7) COMMUNICATIONS AND DONATIONS IN EXTENDING
8 CONGRATULATIONS OR SYMPATHY OF ILLNESS OR DEATH.

9 (b) The following information shall be included on the list
10 of expenses required under subsection (a):

11 ~~(1) The member or individual for whom the expense was~~ <--
12 ~~submitted, paid and reimbursed.~~

13 ~~(2) (1) The date the expense was incurred, submitted, paid~~ <--
14 ~~and reimbursed.~~ <--

15 ~~(3) The legislative purpose for the expense.~~ <--

16 ~~(4) The account from which the expense was paid or~~
17 ~~reimbursed.~~

18 (2) TO WHOM THE EXPENSE WAS PAID, THE AMOUNT OF THE EXPENSE <--
19 AND THE NATURE OF THE GOODS, SERVICES OR OTHER PURPOSE FOR WHICH
20 THE EXPENSE WAS MADE.

21 (3) THE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT FROM WHICH THE EXPENSE WAS
22 MADE AND THE NAME OF THE INDIVIDUAL REQUESTING THE EXPENSE AND
23 THE NAME OF THE INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZING THE EXPENSE.

24 (c) The list of expenses required under subsection (a) shall
25 be in a format that is searchable by name, office, account, date
26 and any other format authorized by: <--

27 ~~(1) For the Senate, the Senate Committee on Management~~
28 ~~Operations.~~

29 ~~(2) For the House of Representatives, the House Committee on~~
30 ~~Management Operations or the House Bipartisan Management~~

1 Committee.

2 (D) THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:

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3 (1) THE HOUSE BIPARTISAN MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MAY ADD OR
4 REMOVE AN ITEM FROM THE LIST OF EXPENSES REQUIRED TO BE
5 PUBLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (A).

6 (2) ANY CHANGES MADE TO THE LIST OF EXPENSES REQUIRED TO BE
7 PUBLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) SHALL BE
8 TRANSMITTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU FOR PUBLICATION
9 IN THE PENNSYLVANIA BULLETIN.

10 (E) IF THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
11 DETERMINES THAT A PORTION OF THE EXPENSES OR INFORMATION
12 PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION SHOULD NOT BE PROVIDED, THE CHIEF
13 CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MAY REDACT THAT PORTION OF
14 THE EXPENSES OR INFORMATION.

15 Section 2. This act shall take effect January 2, 2023.