

1 AN ACT relating to compensation of members of the General Assembly.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔ Section 1. KRS 6.190 is amended to read as follows:

- 4 **(1) (a)** ~~[Beginning as of January 1, 1984,]~~The members of the General Assembly,
5 other than the Speaker of the House of Representatives,~~[the]~~ President of the
6 Senate,~~[the]~~ Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives, President
7 Pro Tempore of the Senate,~~[and the]~~ majority and minority leadership of each
8 house of the General Assembly, **chairs of standing committees of the House**
9 **of Representatives or the Senate, or chairs of interim joint committees of the**
10 **Legislative Research Commission,** shall each receive as compensation **sixty**
11 **thousand dollars (\$60,000) per year.**~~[one hundred dollars (\$100) per day,]~~
- 12 **(b)** The President of the Senate,~~[and the]~~ Speaker of the House of
13 Representatives, **President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Speaker Pro**
14 **Tempore of the House of Representatives, and**~~[shall each receive as~~
15 ~~compensation one hundred twenty five dollars (\$125) per day, The]~~ majority
16 and minority **leadership**~~[floor leaders]~~ of each house of the General
17 Assembly~~[shall each receive as compensation one hundred twenty dollars~~
18 ~~(\$120) per day, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker Pro~~
19 ~~Tempore, and the majority and minority caucus chairmen and whips of each~~
20 ~~house of the General Assembly]~~shall each receive as compensation **seventy-**
21 **five thousand dollars (\$75,000) per year.**~~[one hundred fifteen dollars (\$115)~~
22 ~~per day, during the session of the General Assembly. In addition to his~~
23 ~~compensation as a member of the General Assembly,]~~
- 24 **(c)** Each **chair**~~[chairman]~~ of a standing committee of the House of
25 Representatives or the Senate **or joint interim committee of the Legislative**
26 **Research Commission** shall receive compensation of **sixty-five thousand**
27 **dollars (\$65,000) per year**~~[ten dollars (\$10) for each regularly scheduled~~

1 ~~meeting of the standing committee which he chairs during sessions of the~~
2 ~~General Assembly].~~

3 **(2)** ~~[Beginning as of July 1, 1980,]~~Each member of the General Assembly shall receive
4 mileage and reimbursement of road tolls for one (1) round trip for each week of the
5 session between his **or her** home and the State Capitol during regular sessions and
6 extraordinary sessions of the General Assembly and the necessary travel in going to
7 and returning from the sessions of their respective houses. The mileage allowance
8 under this section shall be equal to the maximum mileage allowance permitted by
9 the federal government, to be increased as federal mileage allowance is increased.

10 **(3) On the first and fifteenth of each month, the secretary of the Finance and**
11 **Administration Cabinet shall draw his or her warrant on the Treasurer in favor**
12 **of each member of the General Assembly the annual salaries set forth in this**
13 **section.**

14 ➔Section 2. KRS 6.211 is amended to read as follows:

15 ~~[Effective January 1, 1994,]~~In addition to any and all sums, compensation, or expenses
16 now paid the members of the General Assembly, each shall receive an expense allowance
17 of one hundred ten percent (110%) of the expense allowance paid federal employees
18 traveling in the Frankfort, Kentucky, area for each calendar day. This sum shall be paid
19 whether the General Assembly is in regular or extraordinary session and shall be in full
20 recompense of any additional expenses incurred in excess of that now received by them.

21 ➔Section 3. KRS 6.225 is amended to read as follows:

22 Between sessions of the General Assembly, offices shall be maintained in the State
23 Capitol building for the use and benefit of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of
24 the House of Representatives. **When the General Assembly is not in session,**~~[Except~~
25 ~~when the General Assembly is in session]~~ the President of the Senate and the Speaker of
26 the House of Representatives shall **be reimbursed for traveling expenses each day they**
27 **are engaged in the duties of their offices**~~[each receive an amount per day equal to the per~~

1 ~~diem compensation they receive during sessions of the General Assembly for each day~~
2 ~~they are engaged in the duties of their offices and shall be reimbursed for necessary~~
3 ~~traveling expenses].~~

4 ➔Section 4. KRS 7.110 is amended to read as follows:

5 (1) (a) The Commission, its co-chairs~~[co-chairmen]~~ or director, any other member of
6 the General Assembly authorized by the director, or any employee authorized
7 by the director, shall have access to all public records as provided in KRS
8 61.870 to 61.884, of every agency, division or department of state
9 government, and of any agency or institution, public or private, which has
10 been the recipient of public funds.

11 (b) The Commission, its co-chairs~~[co-chairmen]~~ or director, any other member of
12 the General Assembly authorized by the director, or any employee authorized
13 by the director, may utilize automated data processing procedures and
14 equipment in the accession of public records, if such records exist in machine
15 readable form. To effect the purposes of this section, the Commission shall
16 promulgate such rules and regulations relating to the accession of public
17 records as are necessary.

18 (c) The Commission, its co-chairs~~[co-chairmen]~~ or director, any other member
19 of the General Assembly authorized by the director, or any employee
20 authorized by the director, may require information on oath of any person
21 touching any matter which he or she is instructed to investigate, study, or
22 audit, and shall have the power to subpoena witnesses and records for such
23 purpose, and otherwise compel the giving of evidence of any matter under
24 study. If any person fails or refuses to testify or furnish documentary evidence
25 concerning any matter with respect to which the Commission desires
26 information pertaining to the studies in which it is engaged, the Franklin
27 Circuit Court, on application of the Commission, may compel obedience by

1 proceedings for contempt as in the case of disobedience of a subpoena issued
2 from the Circuit Court or a refusal to testify therein. Every witness so
3 subpoenaed under this section shall receive for his or her attendance the fee
4 and mileage provided for witnesses in civil cases in Circuit Court, which shall
5 be audited and paid upon the presentation of proper vouchers sworn to by the
6 witness and approved by the Commission.

7 (2) All state agencies and institutions shall cooperate with the Commission to
8 effectuate the purposes of KRS 7.090 to 7.110 and shall submit copies of their
9 annual or biennial reports to the Commission.

10 (3) The Commission shall encourage and arrange conferences with officials of other
11 states and of other units of government; carry forward the participation of this state
12 as a member of the Council of State Governments, both regionally and nationally,
13 and formulate proposals for cooperation between this state and other states. The
14 Legislative Research Commission shall function as Kentucky's commission on
15 interstate cooperation in carrying out the program of the Council of State
16 Governments as it relates to Kentucky.

17 (4) The Commission shall designate persons to represent Kentucky at the National
18 Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. The Commission shall
19 report the findings and recommendations of the national conference to the General
20 Assembly. Any funds appropriated to the commissioners on uniform state laws
21 shall be paid out on vouchers approved by the director of the Commission.

22 (5) (a) The Commission may establish such subcommittees and advisory citizens'
23 committees as may be convenient or desired for the proper and efficient
24 performance of its functions. Members of the General Assembly~~—other than~~
25 ~~those who are members of the Commission designated to serve on~~
26 ~~subcommittees]~~ shall receive the same travel allowances~~—and compensation]~~
27 for attending meetings as they do for attending meetings during a session of

1 the General Assembly~~], except that each General Assembly member who is a~~
2 ~~chairman of a joint interim committee of the Legislative Research~~
3 ~~Commission shall be paid, in addition to such allowances and compensation,~~
4 ~~ten dollars (\$10) per day for each committee meeting that he chairs].~~

5 **(b) The travel allowances provided in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall be**
6 **in addition and supplemental to the annual compensation established in**
7 **Section 1 of this Act.**

8 (6) The Commission shall report its findings, either with or without recommendations,
9 to the Governor of the Commonwealth~~],~~ and to each member of the General
10 Assembly at least thirty (30) days prior to the convening of each regular session of
11 the General Assembly.

12 ➔Section 5. The following KRS section is repealed:

13 6.213 Interim expense allowances for members.

14 ➔Section 6. This Act takes effect January 1, 2025.