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MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representative Carpenter

To: Accountability, Efficiency, Transparency

HOUSE BILL NO. 1011

- AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 5-1-51, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION SCHEDULE; TO BRING FORWARD SECTIONS 5-1-41, 5-1-45, 5-1-46 AND 5-1-47, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, WHICH PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE PAY SCHEDULES AND AMOUNTS, FOR PURPOSES OF POSSIBLE AMENDMENT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
- 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 8 **SECTION 1.** Section 5-1-51, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 9 amended as follows:
- 10 5-1-51. The mileage and one-third (1/3) of the salary for a
- 11 regular session shall be paid at the beginning of the session.
- 12 After thirty (30) days of the session have expired, another
- one-third (1/3) of the salary shall be paid. The remaining
- 14 one-third (1/3) of the salary shall be paid \star \star on the last
- 15 Friday in March.
- SECTION 2. Section 5-1-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 17 brought forward as follows:
- 18 5-1-41. Beginning with the 1986 Regular Session of the
- 19 Legislature of the State of Mississippi, each Senator and

20 Representative of the Legislature shall receive as compensation at

- 21 each regular session the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)
- 22 and the mileage allowance provided by Section 25-3-41, for each
- 23 mile of the distance by the most direct route usually traveled in
- 24 coming to and returning from the place where the Legislature sits.
- 25 Beginning on April 16, 1997, each Senator and Representative shall
- 26 receive for attending each extraordinary session or called session
- 27 the sum of Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00) per day and mileage at
- 28 the same rate as per regular session. In addition to the above,
- 29 beginning on April 16, 1997, each Senator and Representative and
- 30 the Lieutenant Governor shall receive the sum of One Thousand Five
- 31 Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) per month for expenses incidental to
- 32 his office for every full month of his term, except any month or
- 33 major fraction thereof when the Legislature is convened in regular
- 34 or extraordinary session; and payments shall be made to each
- 35 Senator and Representative and the Lieutenant Governor by the
- 36 State Treasurer between the first and tenth day of each month
- 37 following the month for which the payments are due.
- 38 **SECTION 3.** Section 5-1-45, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 39 brought forward as follows:
- 40 5-1-45. Beginning on June 4, 1997, the President Pro Tempore
- 41 of the Senate shall receive an annual salary in an amount equal to
- 42 Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The salary provided for
- 43 the President Pro Tempore under this section shall be in addition
- 44 to the compensation and expense allowance established for members
- 45 of the Legislature under Section 5-1-41.

- SECTION 4. Section 5-1-46, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 47 brought forward as follows:
- 48 5-1-46. Beginning on June 4, 1997, the Speaker Pro Tempore
- 49 of the House of Representatives shall receive an annual salary in
- an amount equal to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00). The
- 51 salary provided for the Speaker Pro Tempore under this section
- 52 shall be in addition to the compensation and expense allowance
- 53 established for members of the Legislature under Section 5-1-41.
- SECTION 5. Section 5-1-47, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 55 brought forward as follows:
- 56 5-1-47. (1) In addition to the regular salary and mileage
- 57 provided by law, an expense allowance equal to the maximum daily
- 58 expense rate allowable to employees of the federal government for
- 59 travel in the high rate geographical area of Jackson, Mississippi,
- 60 as may be established by federal regulations for each legislative
- 61 day in actual attendance at a session shall be paid to the
- 62 Lieutenant Governor and members of the Senate and House of
- 63 Representatives, together with an additional mileage allowance as
- 64 provided by Section 25-3-41, for each mile of the distance by the
- 65 most direct route usually traveled in coming to and returning from
- 66 the place where the Legislature is in session, which expense
- 67 allowance and additional mileage allowance shall be paid at the
- 68 end of each seven-day period while the Legislature is in session.
- 69 (2) In addition to the mileage allowance provided for in

70 subsection (1) of this section, an expense allowance equal to the

- 71 maximum daily expense rate allowable to employees of the federal
- 72 government for travel in the high rate geographical area of
- 73 Jackson, Mississippi, as may be established by federal
- 74 regulations, per day, shall be paid to:
- 75 (a) The Lieutenant Governor and members of the Senate,
- 76 upon the approval of the Senate Rules Committee, for attending to
- 77 legislative duties on any of the following days that the Senate
- 78 does not convene in session on that day: (i) any day between
- 79 legislative regular or extraordinary sessions, or (ii) any day of
- 80 a legislative regular session that has been extended beyond the
- 81 number of calendar days specified in Section 36, Mississippi
- 82 Constitution of 1890, when that day falls after the ninetieth or
- 83 one-hundred-twenty-fifth day of the session, as the case may be,
- 84 or (iii) any day during a legislative extraordinary session; and
- 85 (b) Members of the House of Representatives, upon the
- 86 approval of the House Management Committee, for attending to
- 87 legislative duties on any of the following days that the House
- 88 does not convene in session on that day: (i) any day between
- 89 legislative regular or extraordinary sessions, or (ii) any day of
- 90 a legislative regular session that has been extended beyond the
- 91 number of calendar days specified in Section 36, Mississippi
- 92 Constitution of 1890, when that day falls after the ninetieth or
- 93 one-hundred-twenty-fifth day of the session, as the case may be,
- 94 or (iii) any day during a legislative extraordinary session.

(3) The expense allowance and additional mileage allowance
provided by this section for the Lieutenant Governor and members
of the Senate shall be paid from the appropriate legislative fund
of the Senate as provided by law, and the expense allowance and
additional mileage allowance for members of the House of
Representatives shall be paid from the appropriate legislative
fund of the House of Representatives as provided by law, upon
warrants drawn for such purpose in the manner provided by law.
SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from
and after its passage.