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## Sectional Summary

### HB 300

### State Employees: Meals/Travel Expenses

**Sec. 1** amends AS 39.20.160 by adding a new subsection that in (b) requires the commissioner of the Department of Administration to adopt regulations that set a meals and incidental expense allowance for state employees traveling in-state as part of their job.

The daily rate would be at least \$82 dollars for the first 30 days of travel and at least \$45 dollars for travel that extends longer.

These rates can also be prorated for partial days and by meal period as determined by the commissioner.

Also in Section 1, subparagraph (c) requires that these rates be adjusted for inflation every three years by a percentage equal to the average percentage increase in the U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index for urban Alaska over the preceding three-year period.

Subparagraph (d) of Section 1 defines “meals and incidental expense allowance” as the allowance provided to a traveler as part of their per diem to cover the cost of meals and expenses, including discretionary gratuities.

**Sec. 2** provides an immediate effective date for the act.