

2017 Legislative Compensation By State

State	Salary	Per Diem
Alabama	Alabama legislators receive a taxable compensation equal to the Alabama median annual household income, as ascertained and adjusted yearly by the State Personnel Board. The board met on Oct. 27, 2015, and set the median annual household income amount at \$44,765.00. This current median annual household amount will begin on Jan. 1, 2017 and will continue through Dec. 31, 2017.	Alabama legislators no longer receive a set per diem rate while in session. Legislators are reimbursed for in-state travel expenses which include mileage and per diem in accordance with rates and procedures applicable to state employees. All out-of-their-district reimbursable travel must be for official business and in the interests of the state or in the performance of official duties, as approved by the applicable Presiding Officer.
Alaska	\$50,400/year	\$213 or \$247/day (depending on the time of year) tied to the federal rate. Legislators who reside in the Capitol area receive 75 percent of the federal rate.
Arizona	\$24,000/year	\$35/day for the first 120 days of the regular session and for special sessions and \$10/day thereafter. Members residing outside Maricopa County receive an additional \$25/day for the first 120 days of the regular session and for special sessions and an additional \$10/day thereafter (V). Set by statute.
Arkansas	\$39,400/year	\$153/day (V) plus mileage; tied to the federal rate.
California	\$104,118/year	\$183/day for each day in session.
Colorado	\$30,000/year	Up to an amount equal to 85 percent of the federal per diem rate for Denver per day for members who live more than 50 miles away from the Capitol. Set by the legislature; \$45/day for members who live 50 or fewer miles from the Capitol.
Connecticut	Salaries range from \$28,000 for rank and file to \$38,689 for Senate President and House Speaker	No per diem is paid.
Delaware	\$45,291/year	No per diem is paid.
Florida	\$29,697/year	\$152/day based on the number of days in session. Travel vouchers are filed to substantiate.
Georgia	\$17,342/year	\$173/day (U); set by the Legislative Services Committee.
Hawaii	Speaker and President: \$68,880/year. Members: \$61,380/year	\$225/day throughout session for members who do not reside on the island of Oahu; \$10/day for members living on Oahu during the mandatory five-day recess only.
Idaho	\$17,017 annually; \$21,017 for Speaker & Pro Tem	\$129/day for members establishing a second residence in Boise; \$49/day if no second residence is established and up to \$25/day travel (V). Set by the compensation commission.
Illinois	\$67,836/year	\$111/per session day.
Indiana	\$25,435.98/year	\$161/day, except for \$175 during the months of Feb-April 2017. (U); tied to the federal rate.
Iowa	\$25,000/year	\$166/day (U); \$124.50/day for Polk County legislators (U). Set by the legislature to coincide with the federal rate. State mileage rates apply.
Kansas	\$88.66/day (C)	\$142/day.
Kentucky	\$188.22/day	\$154/day
Louisiana	\$16,800/year plus additional \$6,000/year (U) expense allowance	\$156/day (U); tied to the federal rate.

Maine	\$14,271/year for first regular session; \$10,158 /year for second regular session. In addition, legislators receive a constituent service allowance (\$2,000/year for Senators and \$1,500 /year for Representatives).	\$38/day for lodging, or mileage and tolls in lieu of housing (at a rate of \$0.44/mile up to \$38/day) plus \$32/day for meals. Set by statute.
Maryland	\$47,769/ year for regular members; \$62,044 for President & Speaker	Meals = \$45 / day; mileage = \$.535/ mile; lodging = \$103/ day
Massachusetts	\$62547.97/year	No per diem
Michigan	\$71,685/year	\$10,800/year expense allowance for session and interim (V); set by the compensation commission.
Minnesota	\$31,140.90/year	\$86/day for senators and \$66/day for representatives.
Mississippi	\$10,000/year	\$142/day (U) tied to federal rate.
Missouri	\$35,915/year	\$113.30/day (U); tied to the federal rate. Verification of per diem is by roll call.
Montana	\$90.64/day (L)	\$114.39/day (U).
Nebraska	\$12,000/year	Per diem is \$142 for those members who reside 50 miles or more from the Capitol For those inside the 50 mile radius the rate is \$51. Mileage is paid at the rate of \$.535
Nevada	\$150.71 for legislators elected in 2017 and \$146.29 /day for mid-term members. Maximum of 60 days of session.	\$142/per day.
New Hampshire	\$200/two-year term; \$250/two-year term for President and Speaker; \$3/day for Special Session for first 15 days of session	No per diem is paid.
New Jersey	\$49,000/year; President of the Senate and Assembly Speaker earn an additional 1/3 (\$65,333)	No per diem is paid.
New Mexico	None	\$164/day (V); tied to the federal rate.
New York	\$79,500/year	\$175/full day (including overnight)
North Carolina	\$13,951/year Member; \$17,048/year Majority & Minority Leader; \$21,739/year Deputy & Speaker Pro Tempore; \$38,151/year President Pro Tempore & Speaker	\$104/day (U) set by statute. \$0.29 per mile set by statute. Monthly expense allowance: \$559/month, Member; \$666/month Majority & Minority Leader; \$836/month Deputy Pro Tempore & Speaker Pro Tempore; \$1,413/month President Pro Tempore & Speaker.
North Dakota	\$177/day during legislative sessions (C)	Lodging reimbursement up to \$1,682 per month (V).
Ohio	\$60,584/year	No per diem is paid.
Oklahoma	\$38,400/year	\$156/day (U); tied to the federal rate.
Oregon	\$24,216/year	\$142/day (U); tied to the federal rate
Pennsylvania	\$86,478.50/year	\$179 (10/1/16 - 9/30/17); tied to the federal rate
Rhode Island	\$15,429.72/year Per Article VI, Section 3 of the Rhode Island Constitution, the rate of compensation is adjusted annually to reflect changes in the cost of living, and the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House are compensated at an annual rate of double that of other senators and representatives. Legislators receive mileage.	No per diem is paid.

South Carolina	\$10,400/year	The Subsistence is \$195.53 per day provided the legislator answers to roll call during the session and one round trip mileage per week at the rate of .535 per mile. Subsistence of \$195.53, per diem of \$35.00 and mileage of .535 cent per mile for each committee meeting on a non-legislative day. Legislators also receive an In-district expense of \$1,000.00 per month.
South Dakota	\$6,000/session; \$142/day for interim committees	\$142.00 per legislative day (U)
Tennessee	\$22,667/year	\$220/day (U) for members whose residence is greater than 50 miles from the seat of government; \$59/day for members whose residence is inside of 50 miles from the seat of government.
Texas	\$7,200/year	\$190/day (U); set by ethics commission.
Utah	\$273/day (C)	Up to \$100 plus tax/calendar day (V) for lodging reimbursement, tied to in-state travel reimbursement lodging rate for Salt Lake City metropolitan area; up to \$41/day meal reimbursement (V), tied to in-state travel meal reimbursement rates (includes tax and tips).
Vermont	\$707.36/week during the legislative session only	\$115/day for lodging (overnight stay) or \$74/day for meals; mileage.
Virginia	\$18,000/year for the Senate; \$17,640/year for the House	\$196/day for Senators during 2016 session; \$196/day for House members.
Washington	Legislators: \$46,839/year - eff. 9/1/2016; 47,776/year – eff. 9/1/2017 Speaker of the House and Senate Majority Leader: \$55,738/year – eff. 9/1/2016 \$56,853/year – eff. 9/1/2017 House and Senate Minority Leaders: \$51,288/year – eff. 9/1/2016 \$52,314/year – eff. 9/1/2017	\$120/day.
West Virginia	\$20,000/year	\$131/day during session (U); set by the compensation commission.
Wisconsin	\$50,950/year	Per diem authorized under Wisconsin Statutes, the Joint Committee on Employment Relations establishes the maximum amount at 90 percent of the federal per diem rate for Madison, which is \$156.50. The leadership of each house then determines, within that maximum, what amount to authorize for the session. Wisconsin Senate - Current authorized amount is up to \$115 per day (\$57.50 per day for legislators living in Dane County). This rate is 66 percent of the maximum per diem rate for Madison.
Wyoming	\$150/day during session	\$109/day (V), including travel days for those outside of Cheyenne; set by the legislature.
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