

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 181(STA)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/3/17

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES KREISS-TOMKINS, Fansler, Grenn, Ortiz, Gara

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to per diem for legislators; relating to a travel allowance for legislators**  
2 **and legislative employees; and relating to the State Officers Compensation**  
3 **Commission."**

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

5 \* **Section 1.** AS 24.10.120(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) Salaries, travel allowances, per diem for legislators during legislative  
7 sessions, travel expenses, relocation expenses, and additional allowances for members  
8 of the legislature shall be paid, subject to appropriation, as approved by the  
9 legislative fiscal officer.

10 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 24.10.130(c) is amended to read:

11 (c) The Alaska Legislative Council shall adopt a policy in accordance with  
12 AS 39.23.540(d) regarding reimbursement for moving expenses applicable to all  
13 legislators and a policy allowing a travel allowance for all legislators and  
14 legislative employees [AN APPLICABLE PER DIEM ALLOWANCE POLICY].

1 The **policies** [POLICY] must set conditions for the reimbursement for moving  
2 expenses and payment of **travel allowances** [PER DIEM] and prescribe the amounts  
3 of reimbursement adapted to the special needs of the legislative branch as determined  
4 by the council.

5 \* **Sec. 3.** AS 24.10.130 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (d) Legislators may receive a per diem allowance during legislative sessions  
7 as recommended by the State Officers Compensation Commission under  
8 AS 39.23.580, unless disapproved by the legislature as provided in AS 39.23.540(d),  
9 and subject to appropriation as provided in AS 39.23.540(g).

10 \* **Sec. 4.** AS 24.20.660 is amended to read:

11 **Sec. 24.20.660. Travel allowance [AND PER DIEM ALLOWANCES].**  
12 Members of the Joint Armed Services Committee are entitled to reimbursement for  
13 travel expenses. Members of the committee shall receive **a travel allowance** [PER  
14 DIEM ALLOWANCES] in accordance with the policy adopted by the legislative  
15 council under AS 24.10.130(c).

16 \* **Sec. 5.** AS 39.23.580 is amended to read:

17 **Sec. 39.23.580. Policy of the legislature.** It is the policy of the legislature that  
18 the commission recommend an equitable rate and form of compensation, **per diem**  
19 **allowances during legislative sessions**, benefits, and **other** allowances for legislators.

20 \* **Sec. 6.** AS 24.10.130(b) is repealed.