

Original sponsor: Rules/Legislative Council

1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 220 (Finance)  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION  
5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to legislative per diem; and provid-  
7 ing for an effective date."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 \* Section 1. AS 24.10.105(b) is amended to read:

10 (b) Except as provided in (e) of this section, a [A] legislator  
11 is entitled to receive per diem at the short-term rate

12 (1) during a legislative session if the legislator is not  
13 living in the legislator's place of permanent residence during the  
14 session; and

15 (2) during the period of time not included in (1) of this  
16 subsection, while on committee business or other legislative business  
17 in a place that is not the legislator's place of permanent residence.

18 \* Sec. 2. AS 24.10.105(c) is amended to read:

19 (c) Except as provided in (e) of this section, a [A] legislator  
20 is entitled to receive per diem at the long-term rate

21 (1) during a legislative session if the legislator is  
22 living in the legislator's place of permanent residence during the  
23 session; and

24 (2) during the period of time not included in (1) of this  
25 subsection, while engaged in committee business or other legislative  
26 business at the legislator's place of permanent residence.

27 \* Sec. 3. AS 24.10.105(d) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

28 (3) "legislator-elect" includes a person elected under  
29 AS 15.35.020 or elected or appointed under AS 15.40.320 - 15.40.470 to

1 a seat in the Alaska legislature who has not taken the oath of office  
2 under art. XII, sec. 5, Constitution of the State of Alaska, and whose  
3 appointment has not been rejected under AS 15.40.330.

4 \* Sec. 4. AS 24.10.105 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

5 (e) In addition to receiving per diem under (b) or (c) of this  
6 section, a legislator is entitled to reimbursement for actual expenses  
7 for transportation, food, and lodging when away from Juneau on legis-  
8 lative business during the legislative session if the trip is author-  
9 ized by the president of the senate or the speaker of the house of  
10 representatives, as appropriate. During the interim between legisla-  
11 tive sessions, a legislator may elect to receive reimbursement for  
12 actual legislative expenses in lieu of per diem under (b), (c), or (f)  
13 of this section.

14 (f) A legislator or legislator-elect who is not living in the  
15 person's place of permanent residence during the session is entitled  
16 to per diem at the short-term rate, or reimbursement for actual  
17 expenses under (e) of this section, during the seven days immediately  
18 preceding the session, or, in the case of a legislator-elect, the  
19 seven days after appointment immediately preceding the date the legis-  
20 lator-elect takes the oath of office, and for the five days after the  
21 legislative session for the days that the legislator or legislator-  
22 elect is

23 (1) traveling between Juneau and the legislator's place of  
24 permanent residence; or

25 (2) setting up or concluding household arrangements for the  
26 legislative session.

27 \* Sec. 5. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).