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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19 (Finance) am H
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION
5 Establishing a Joint Special Committee
6 on Legislative Salaries.
7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
8 WHEREAS there exists considerable public concern over the issues of
9 legislative salaries, per diem, and allowances; and
10 WHEREAS the legislature desires to encourage confidence in the legis-
11 lative process and to streamline expenditures and reduce operating costs of
12 the legislature;
13 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that under Uniform Rule
14 21 a Joint Special Committee on Legislative Salaries is established con-
15 sisting of three members of the Senate appointed by the President of the
16 Senate and three members of the House of Representatives appointed by the
17 Speaker of the House to examine legislative salaries, per diem, and allow-
18 ances; and be it
19 FURTHER RESOLVED that three public exofficio members be selected by
20 the Joint Special Committee on Legislative Salaries; and be it
21 FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee, when constituted, be directed to
22 compare the approach taken by the state regarding salaries with the ap-
23 proach taken by other states and to develop recommendations for reducing
24 operating expenses; and be it
25 FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee is authorized to meet during and
26 between sessions of the legislature and is to report its recommendations
27 and findings on the first day of the Second Session of the Fourteenth
28 Legislature and is terminated on the first day of the Second Session of the
29 Fourteenth Legislature.

State	Number of Legislators	Population U.S. Census 1974	Constituents in District House of Repres.	# of Days in Session
Alabama	140	3,990,000	28,500	30 Legis
Alaska	60	500,000	8,333	120 Cal
Arizona	90	3,053,000	33,922	60 Cal
Arkansas	135	2,349,000	17,400	60 Cal
California	120	25,622,000	213,516	no limit
Colorado	100	3,178,000	31,780	no limit
Connecticut	187	3,154,000	16,866	90 Cal
Delaware	62	613,000	9,887	140 Cal
Florida	160	10,976,000	68,600	60 Cal
Georgia	236	5,837,000	24,733	40 Legis
Hawaii	76	1,039,000	13,671	60 Legis
Idaho	105	1,001,000	9,533	no limit
Illinois	177	11,511,000	65,033	no limit
Indiana	150	5,489,000	36,653	30 Legis
Iowa	150	2,910,000	19,400	no limit
Kansas	165	2,438,000	14,775	90 Cal
kentucky	138	3,723,000	26,978	60 Legis
Louisiana	144	4,426,000	30,986	85 Cal
Maine	184	1,156,000	6,282	50 Legis
Maryland	188	4,349,000	23,132	90 Cal
Massachusetts	200	5,798,000	28,945	no limit
Michigan	148	9,075,000	61,317	no limit
Minnesota	201	4,162,000	20,706	120 Legis
Mississippi	174	2,598,000	14,931	125 Cal
Missouri	207	5,008,000	24,193	May 15
Montana	150	824,000	5493	90 Legis
Nebraska	49	1,606,000	32,775	60 Legis
Nevada	63	911,000	14,460	60 Cal
New Hampshire	424	977,000	2,304	90 Cal
New Jersey	120	7,515,000	62,625	no limit
New Mexico	112	1,424,000	12,714	30 Cal
New York	211	17,735,000	84,052	no limit
North Carolina	170	6,165,000	36,264	no limit
North Dakota	159	686,000	4,314	80 Legis
Ohio	132	10,752,000	81,454	no limit
Oklahoma	149	3,298,000	22,134	90 legis
Oregon	90	2,674,000	29,711	no limit
Pennsylvania	253	11,901,000	47,039	no limit
Rhode Island	150	962,000	6,413	no limit
South Carolina	170	3,300,000	19,411	120 Cal
South Dakota	105	706,000	6,723	35 Legis
Tennessee	132	4,717,000	35,734	90 Legis
Texas	181	15,989,000	88,337	140 Cal
Utah	104	1,652,000	15,884	20 Cal
Vermont	180	530,000	2,944	no limit
Virginia	140	5,636,000	40,257	60 Cal
Washington	147	4,349,000	29,585	60 Cal
West Virginia	134	1,952,000	14,567	60 Cal
Wisconsin	132	4,766,000	36,106	no limit
Wyoming	94	511,000	5,436	20 Legis

State	Annual Salary (in \$)	Per Diem (in \$)	Other Benefits (in \$)	Travel ¢ per mile & # of trips home
Alabama	10 p/d	85 p/d		20/1
Alaska	46,800	-----		0/1
Arizona	15,000	60 p/d	4,000 postage	20.5/u
Arkansas	7,500	44 p/d	20 per diem during interim	23/w
California	33,732	66 p/d	4,200 home office/interim	
Colorado	17,000	70 p/d	265 p/mo rental car & gas	20/w
Connecticut	13,000	3,500 p/y	2,500 p/y expense	20/u
Delaware	20,000	2,500 p/y	2,500 p/y expense	15/u
Florida	12,000	50 p/d	1,000 for District office	20/w
Georgia	7,200	59 p/d	4,800 postage	20/w
Hawaii	15,600	45 p/d	2,500 stationary	/u
Idaho	30 p/d	60 p/d	35 p/d for interim business	18/5
Illinois	32,500	69 p/d		20/w
Indiana	11,600	65 p/d	4,680 postage	24/w
Iowa	14,600	45 p/d	40 p/d for interim business	22/w
Kansas	102p/d	50 p/d	3,600 per year/47p/d int bus	22/w
Kentucky	100p/d	75 p/d	1,000 p/y & 75 p/d int bus	20.5/w
Louisiana	16,800	75 p/d	3,900 p/y expenses	21/w
Maine	7,500	50 p/d	35 p/d for interim business	22/1
Maryland	21,000	72 p/d	8,950 for district offices	19/1
Massachusetts	30,000	-----	2,400 per year expenses	
Michigan	34,860	6,700 p/y		29.5/u
Minnesota	21,140	35 p/d	147p/m dist off & 48p/d int bus	26/w
Mississippi	10,000	67 p/d	40 per day interim business	20/w
Missouri	19,524	35 p/d		17/w
Montana	50 p/d	45 p/d	49 p/d for interim business	20.5/4
Nebraska	4,800	55 p/d		21/1
Nevada	6,800	56 p/d	1,100 p/m off exp/104p/d int bus	20/0
N Hampshire	100	-----		28.5/u
New Jersey	25,000	-----		
New Mexico	75 p/d	-----		25/1
New York	43,000	55 p/d		
N Carolina	8,400	60 p/d	2,064 expenses	25/w
North Dakota	90 p/d	50 p/d	2,160 expenses	20/w
Ohio	30,152	-----		20/w
Oklahoma	20,000	35 p/d		22/w
Oregon	8,400	44 p/d	300 per mo.	
Pennsylvania	35,000	75 p/d		20/w
Rhode Island	5 p/d	-----		8/u
S Carolina	10,000	68 p/d		23/w
South Dakota	3,200	75 p/d		21/w-e's
Tennessee	12,500	71 p/d	250 per mo.	20/w
Texas	7,200	30 p/d		23/u
Utah	65 p/d	25 p/d		23/1
Vermont	11,000	60 p/d		20.5/w
Virginia	11,000	65 p/d	3,000 p/y office expenses	20.5/w
Washington	13,750	44 p/d		10/1
W Virginia	6,500	70 p/d		17/w
Wisconsin	27,222	42 p/d		21.5/w
Wyoming	75 p/d	60 p/d	25 Reps/75 Sen per mo.	20/1

For Travel column; u=unlimited, w=weekly, w-e=weekends: Texas also gets 55¢ per highway mile for personal airplane expense.

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State	General Expenditures (in 000's)	Legislative Branch Expenditures (Dollars)	Legis Cost Per Legis (Dollars)	Legis Cos Per Caput (Dollars)
Alabama	4,637,675	6,409,000	45,779	1.60
Alaska	3,422,267	24,396,000	406,600	48.80
Arizona	3,215,109	8,668,000	96,311	2.84
Arkansas	2,254,285	4,849,000	35,918	2.06
California	36,487,972	100,843,000	840,358	3.93
Colorado	3,485,571	8,177,000	81,770	2.57
Connecticut	3,832,501	12,074,000	64,567	3.83
Delaware	989,267	2,869,000	46,274	4.68
Florida	9,144,868	32,212,000	201,325	2.93
Georgia	6,012,989	15,778,000	66,856	2.70
Hawaii	1,976,897	11,241,000	147,908	1.07
Idaho	1,038,020	2,426,000	23,105	2.42
Illinois	12,268,698	35,572,000	200,971	3.09
Indiana	5,211,286	10,100,000	67,333	1.84
Iowa	3,624,310	8,195,000	54,633	2.81
Kansas	2,542,096	8,069,000	48,903	3.30
Kentucky	4,549,048	9,681,000	70,152	2.60
Louisiana	6,293,984	21,061,000	146,257	4.75
Maine	1,434,204	5,930,000	32,228	5.12
Maryland	5,968,601	13,024,000	69,277	2.99
Massachusetts	8,304,957	30,907,000	154,535	5.33
Michigan	12,159,659	43,680,000	295,135	4.81
Minnesota	5,825,850	22,899,000	113,925	5.50
Mississippi	2,745,531	6,185,000	35,546	2.38
Missouri	4,326,228	13,805,000	66,691	2.75
Montana	1,057,422	7,465,000	49,766	9.05
Nebraska	1,721,870	5,074,000	103,551	3.16
Nevada	1,190,828	6,821,000	108,270	7.48
New Hampshire	912,538	5,218,000	12,307	5.34
New Jersey	9,734,768	21,286,000	177,383	2.82
New Mexico	2,523,984	4,567,000	40,777	3.20
New York	26,577,965	93,072,000	441,099	5.25
North Carolina	6,427,516	9,277,000	54,570	1.50
North Dakota	1,201,475	6,754,000	42,478	9.84
Ohio	11,932,799	15,105,000	114,432	1.40
Oklahoma	4,132,856	11,346,000	76,148	3.44
Oregon	3,536,494	11,010,000	122,333	4.11
Pennsylvania	12,874,280	54,748,000	216,395	4.60
Rhode Island	1,476,208	6,890,000	45,933	7.16
South Carolina	3,296,100	12,720,000	74,823	3.85
South Dakota	819,386	2,252,000	21,448	3.19
Tennessee	4,061,861	6,863,000	51,992	1.45
Texas	14,115,486	36,233,000	200,182	2.27
Utah	2,006,815	4,686,000	45,058	2.84
Vermont	802,610	2,757,000	15,316	5.20
Virginia	6,098,226	10,340,000	73,857	1.83
Washington	6,400,028	23,555,000	160,238	5.42
West Virginia	2,367,676	7,964,000	59,433	4.08
Wisconsin	6,956,509	17,926,000	135,803	3.76
Wyoming	1,074,102	1,458,000	15,511	2.85