

HOUSE OF CHIEFS (SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES) (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1998

No. 12



of 1998

An Act to amend the House of Chiefs (Salaries and Allowances) Act, 1988.

Date of Assent: 24.8.98.

Date of Commencement: 1.7.98.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Botswana.

1. This Act may be cited as the House of Chiefs (Salaries and Allowances) (Amendment) Act, 1998, and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1st July, 1998.

Short title
and commence-
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2. Section 3 of the House of Chiefs (Salaries and Allowances) Act, 1988 (in this Act referred to as "the Act") is amended by substituting for that section, the following —

Amendment
of section 3 of
Act No. 8
of 1988

"Responsibility
allowance for
Chairman

3. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall be paid from moneys appropriated for such purpose a responsibility allowance at the rate of P15,024 and P13,560 respectively per annum."

3. Section 4 of the Act is amended by substituting for the provisions of subsection (1) thereof, the following —

Amendment
of section 4
of the Act

"(1) Every Member who has taken his seat in the House shall be paid from moneys appropriated by law for such purpose a responsibility allowance at the rate of P11,340 per annum."

4. The Schedule to the Act is amended by substituting for that Schedule, the following new Schedule —

Amendment
of Schedule to
the Act

"SCHEDULE

1. The Chairman and any Member shall receive an allowance at the rate of P180 for every day or part thereof exceeding four hours that he is necessarily absent from home in attending any meeting of the House or any committee thereof.

Subsistence
allowance

2. (1) The Chairman and any Member shall receive an allowance calculated in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph (2) in respect of one return journey undertaken by him by the shortest route in his own motor vehicle or by any public road, rail or air service —

Transport

(a) from his home to any meeting of the House, or of any committee thereof of which he is a member, held while the House is not sitting; and

- (b) from any such meeting to his home during any adjournment of such meeting of three clear days or longer.
- (2) Such allowance shall be —
- (a) where the journey or part thereof is performed in the Member's own motor vehicle at the rate for the time being applicable to public officers;
- (b) where the journey or part thereof is performed by any public road, rail or air service, a sum equal to the fare actually paid up to a maximum of the ordinary first class fare payable on such service.
3. Every Member shall receive an acting allowance of P20.40 for every sitting of the House during the whole of which he presides in place of the Chairman.
4. (1) Subject to the provisions of subparagraph (2), a Member, other than one who is in receipt of other emoluments from public funds exceeding in amount the responsibility allowance payable to him under this Act, shall on ceasing to be a Member, receive a termination allowance at the rate of 20 per cent of the aggregate basic responsibility allowance drawn by him while he was a Member.
- (2) There shall be deducted from the terminal allowance payable to a Member any sums due to Government.
5. Every Member shall receive a hospitality allowance at the rate of P150.20 together with subsistence allowance at the rate payable to public officers, for every day or part thereof that he is necessarily absent from Botswana attending a conference, seminar or similar function approved by the President.
6. (1) The Chairman shall receive a hospitality allowance at the rate of P4,008 per annum.
- (2) The Vice-Chairman shall receive a hospitality allowance at the rate of P2,244 per annum.
- (3) The Members shall receive a hospitality allowance at the rate of P1,128 per annum.
- (4) The allowances paid under this paragraph shall be in addition to any hospitality allowances to which the Chairman or Members may be entitled by virtue of paragraph 5."

Acting
allowance

Termination
allowance

Hospitality and
subsistence
allowance
when abroad

Hospitality
allowance

PASSED by the National Assembly this 19th day of August, 1998.

C.T. MOMPEI,
Clerk of the National Assembly.