

Committee on Rules and Administration
Wednesday, January 10, 2007
11:00 AM, Room 107, Capitol

Minutes

Present: Senator Lawrence J. Pogemiller, Chair, Senator Tarryl Clark, Vice-Chair, Senator Thomas M. Bakk, Senator Richard J. Cohen, Senator Keith Langseth, Senator James P. Metzzen, Senator David H. Senjem

Absent: Senator Linda Berglin

Senator Lawrence J. Pogemiller called the meeting to order at 11:06am


Overview of Resolution on mileage, living and telecommunications.

- A. Overview of handout#1 by Senator Frederickson
 - B. Overview of handout#2 by Peter Wattson, Senate Counsel
 - C. Senator Frederickson moves to amend the resolution so that on line 14, strike "\$66" and insert "\$96" and on line 17 strike "\$900" and insert "\$1200" and moves the resolution.
- i. **MOTION ADOPTED** as amended
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The meeting was adjourned at 11:29am



Senator Lawrence J. Pogemiller, Chair



Erin Campbell, Legislative Assistant

These Senate Rules Committee minutes show committee actions on a resolution related to legislator compensation. The pertinent resolution follows the minutes. Additional details are provided at <https://www.leg.state.mn.us/lrl/histleg/salary>

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A committee resolution

relating to mileage, living, and telecommunications expenses incurred by members of the Senate.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Committee on Rules and Administration:

1. Each member of the Senate who resides more than 50 miles from the state capitol shall be reimbursed for necessary travel in going to and returning from the place of meeting to the member's place of residence for each trip during the 85th Legislature. Mileage for travel by automobile must be at the rate of 48.5 cents per mile, or any greater or lesser amount authorized by the Internal Revenue Service for employees. Mileage for travel by private aircraft must be at the rate of \$1.07 per mile, or any greater or lesser amount authorized by the Internal Revenue Service for employees. Commercial airfare must be the actual cost.

2. Each member of the Senate shall be paid per diem living expenses for meals, incidental expenses, and lodging in an amount up to ~~\$66~~⁹⁶ for each calendar day during the sessions of the 85th Legislature.

3. In addition to per diem living expenses, each member of the Senate who resides more than 50 miles from the state capitol shall be reimbursed up to ~~\$900~~¹²⁰⁰ per month for actual lodging expenses during the sessions of the 85th Legislature. The total reimbursement for those members, per diem plus lodging, may not exceed the amount per legislative day allowed by the Internal Revenue Service for an accountable plan.

4. Each member shall be reimbursed for up to \$125 per month for actual expenses for telecommunications.

5. Each member of the Senate shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the Senate for the actual travel, living, and telecommunication expenses for which the member seeks reimbursement.

6. The Secretary of the Senate shall prepare and issue warrants from the Senate legislative expense fund in payment of expenses to each member of the Senate.