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Introduced by

Representatives Sandoval: Abeytia, Aguilar, Austin, Blattman, Connolly, Contreras L, Contreras P, Garcia, Liguori, Luna-Nájera, Márquez, Mathis, Peshlakai, Simacek, Stahl Hamilton, Tsosie, Villegas; Senators Alston, Epstein, Gabaldón, Kuby, Ortiz, Sundareshan

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 41-1104, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE LEGISLATURE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 41-1104, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 41-1104. Travel reimbursement and subsistence for members of
5 legislature; claim required

6 A. Notwithstanding section ~~38-624~~ 38-623, each member of the
7 legislature shall be reimbursed for travel at the federal mileage
8 reimbursement rate as determined annually by the United States general
9 services administration, and such reimbursement shall include travel from
10 the temporary or permanent residence of the member to the state capitol.

11 B. Each member of the legislature shall be paid for each day of
12 subsistence during a regular or special session and for each day of
13 subsistence when the member acts on a legislative matter, other than in a
14 regular or special session, on the prior approval of the presiding officer
15 of the house of which that member is a member. ~~in an amount as follows:~~

16 ~~1. For a member whose permanent residence is within Maricopa~~
17 ~~county, \$35.~~

18 ~~2. For a member whose permanent residence is outside Maricopa~~
19 ~~county, EACH MEMBER SHALL RECEIVE~~ one hundred percent of the average of
20 the six highest months of the annual federal per diem rate for Maricopa
21 county, including lodging, as determined by the United States general
22 services administration. The director of the department of administration
23 shall determine this amount annually.

24 C. Subsistence allowed to each member of the legislature during the
25 regular session as provided in subsection B of this section ~~shall be~~ IS
26 limited to the first one hundred twenty days of a regular session. After
27 the first one hundred twenty days of a regular session, each member of the
28 legislature ~~whose permanent residence is within Maricopa county shall be~~
29 ~~paid the sum of \$10 for subsistence for each day of the regular session~~
30 ~~beyond the first one hundred twenty days. Each member whose permanent~~
31 ~~residence is outside of Maricopa county~~ shall receive fifty percent of the
32 amount determined annually by the director of the department of
33 administration pursuant to subsection B of this section for each day
34 beyond the first one hundred twenty days of a regular session as
35 subsistence.

36 D. Each member of the legislature may elect to opt out of receiving
37 subsistence payments prescribed by subsections B and C of this section.

38 E. Each member of the legislature, for authorized travel out of
39 state, shall receive travel and subsistence expenses as prescribed by law
40 for state officers.

41 F. For payment of travel expenses and subsistence, as prescribed by
42 the terms of this section, each member of the legislature shall submit a
43 claim for travel expenses and subsistence that is countersigned by the
44 presiding officer of the respective body.