

A STUDY OF SEVEN STATE LEGISLATURES

Table 3.9.1

LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION AND LIVING EXPENSE ALLOWANCES DURING SESSIONS

State or other jurisdiction	Salary		Mileage cents per mile	Session per diem rate
	Daily salary (actual) (Imputed)*	Annual salary (actual) (Imputed)*		
Montana	\$82.64L	\$21,486	55¢/mile; Rate is based on IRS rate. Reimbursement for actual mileage traveled in connection with legislative business	109.78/day (U).
Alaska	\$193.85	\$50,400	40.5/mile for approved travel.	\$234 /day (depending on the time of year) tied to federal rate. Legislators who reside in the Capitol area receive 75% of the federal rate.
Nevada	\$146.29	\$38,035	Federal rate, currently 40.5¢/mile	\$152/per day.
North Dakota	\$157 (C)	\$40,820	51¢/mile; one round trip/week during session	Lodging reimbursement up to 30 times 65 percent of the daily lodging rate (\$1,351 per month as of 8/1/2011 (V).
Oregon	\$85.62	\$22,260	51/mile.	\$123/day (U) tied to federal rate
South Dakota	\$23.08	\$6,000/yr \$12,000/2 yrs	37¢/mile for one round trip from Pierre to home each weekend. One trip is also paid at 5¢/mile. During the interim, 37¢/mile for scheduled committee	\$110/legislative day (U) set by the legislature.
Utah	\$273 (C)	\$70,980	51¢/mile, round trip from home to capitol	\$96/day (U) lodging allotment for each calendar day, tied to federal rate, \$61/day meals (U).
Wyoming	\$150.00	\$39,000	55¢/mile	\$109/day (V) set by the legislature, includes travel days for those outside of Cheyenne.

Source : NCSL, March, 2013

Key:

C — Calendar day

L — Legislative day

(U) — Unvouchered

(V) — Vouchered

. . . — Not applicable

N.R.— Not reported

* The "Imputed" Daily or Annual salary is determined as follows: (1) in states that prescribe a Daily rate, the Annual salary is imputed by dividing the Daily rate by 8 (hours) and multiplying the product by 2,080 (hours); and (2) in states that prescribe an Annual salary, the Daily rate is imputed by dividing the Annual salary by 2,080 (hours) and multiplying the product by 8 (hours).