

**HOUSE OF CHIEFS (SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES)
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2002**

No. 5



of 2002

ARRANGEMENT OF SECTIONS

SECTION

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

Date of Assent: 03.06.02

Date of Commencement: 07.06.02

ENACTED by the Parliament of Botswana.

1. This Act may be cited as the House of Chiefs (Salaries and Allowances) (Amendment) Act, 2002 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1st April, 2002.

Short title and commencement

2. Section 3 of the House of Chiefs (Salaries and Allowances) Act, 1988 (in this Act referred to as "the Act") is hereby amended by substituting therefor, the following new section —

Amendment of section 3 of Act No. 8 of 1988

"Responsibility allowance for Chairman and Vice-Chairman

3. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall be paid, from moneys appropriated by law for such purpose, a responsibility allowance at the rate of P20,256.00 and P18,300.00 respectively per annum."

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

Amendment of section 4 of the Act

"Responsibility allowance for Member

(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 P15,300.00 per annum."

4. The Schedule to the Act is amended by substituting —

Amendment of Schedule to the Act

"Subsistence allowance

(a) for paragraph 1 thereof, the following new paragraph —

1. The Chairman and any Member shall receive an allowance at the rate of P243.00 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.";

Transport
allowance

3. (1) Every Member, other than a Minister, Assistant Minister and the Attorney-General, 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 convenient route in his own motor vehicle or by a public road, rail or air service —

- (a) from his home to any meeting of the Assembly, or to any committee thereof of which he is a Member held while the Assembly 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 any part thereof is undertaken in the Member's own vehicle, at the rate for the time being applicable to public officers; and
 - (b) where the journey or any part thereof is undertaken 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.

Constituency
allowance

4. Every Member other than the Attorney-General shall receive an allowance calculated as follows —

- (a) for a Member representing one of the following constituencies —

Maun/Chobe
Okavango
Sebina/Gweta
Boteti
Kgalagadi
Ghanzi
Letlhakeng

at the rate of P79,032.00 per annum;

- (b) for a Member representing one of the following constituencies —

Ngami
North East
Nkange
Tonota
Serowe North
Serowe South
Tswapong North
Tswapong South
Mmadinare
Bobirwa
Shoshong
South East
Thamaga
Lentsweletau
Ngwaketse West
Ngwaketse South
Moshupa
Borolong

at the rate of P69,420.00 per annum;

(c) for a Member representing one of the following constituencies —

Palapye
Mahalapye
Kgatleng West
Kgatleng East
Molepolole
Mogoditshane
Kanye
Francistown West
Francistown East
Selebi-Phikwe
Gaborone West
Gaborone North
Gaborone South
Gaborone Central
Lobatse

at the rate of P62,064.00 per annum; and

(d) for a Specially Elected Member and the Speaker of the National Assembly, at the rate of P56,676.00 per annum.

5. Every Member shall receive an acting allowance of P56.00 for every sitting of the Assembly during the whole or any part of which he presides in place of the Speaker or the Deputy Speaker.

Acting
allowance

6. (1) Every Member (other than the Vice-President, a Minister, the Speaker, an Assistant Minister, the Deputy-Speaker, the Leader of the Opposition and the Attorney-General) shall receive a hospitality allowance at the rate of P5,412.00 per annum.

Hospitality
allowance

(2) Every Member, including the Attorney-General (other than a Vice-President, Minister, the Speaker, an Assistant Minister, the Deputy Speaker and the Leader of the Opposition) shall when he is necessarily absent from Botswana attending a conference, seminar or similar function approved by the President, receive a hospitality allowance of P203.00 together with subsistence allowance at the rates payable to public officers for every day or part thereof.

7. (1) The Speaker shall receive a responsibility allowance calculated at the rate of P20,448.00 per annum.

Responsibility
allowance for
Speaker and
Deputy Speaker

(2) The Deputy Speaker shall receive a responsibility allowance calculated at the rate of P15,456.00 per annum.

8. The Chairman of a Parliamentary Committee shall receive an allowance of P42.50 per day for every day on which the Committee sits which is not a day on which the National Assembly is sitting.

Allowance for
Chairman of
Parliamentary
Committee

9. The Vice-President, Ministers and Assistant Ministers shall receive hospitality, housing, transport, garden and water allowances and such other benefits as the President may from time to time determine.

Allowance for
Vice-President,
Ministers and
Assistant
Ministers

Other allowances for Speaker, etc

10. The Speaker, Leader of the Opposition and Deputy Speaker shall receive hospitality, housing, transport, garden and water allowances at such rates as may be applicable to Ministers and Assistant Ministers from time to time in accordance with paragraph 9.

Communication allowance

11. Every Member, other than the Attorney-General, shall receive a communication allowance at the rate of P23,940.00 per annum.”

PASSED by the National Assembly this 23rd day of April, 2002.

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