

**L.A. Bill No. 3 of 1962**

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LEGISLATURE (REMUNERATION OF MEMBERS) BILL, 1962.

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## A BILL

Intituled

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE PAYMENT OF REMUNERATION, TRAVELLING AND SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES TO MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana :—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Legislature (Remuneration of Members) Ordinance, 1962. Short title.
2. In this Ordinance unless the context otherwise requires— Interpretation.  
“the Legislature” means the Legislature of British Guiana.

Payment of remuneration to the Premier and other Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and the President of the Senate.

3.(1) A member of a chamber of the Legislature appointed to be the Premier, or a Minister (other than the Premier) or a Parliamentary Secretary or elected to be the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly or the President of the Senate, shall be paid such salary and allowances other than those referred to in section 6 of this Ordinance, as specified in the schedule to this Ordinance.

(2) The salary provided for under the preceding subsection shall be in lieu of any salary to which any of the persons aforesaid would, but for this section, be entitled by virtue of his being a member of a chamber of the Legislature.

Payment of remuneration to members of the Legislature. Schedule.

4. Subject to the provisions of section 3 of this Ordinance, a member of a chamber of the Legislature shall be paid salary as specified in the schedule to this Ordinance :

Provided that no salary provided for by this section shall be paid to a member of a chamber of the Legislature in respect of any period during which such member has been suspended from the exercise of his functions as such or from the service of the chamber in pursuance of any law or of any Standing Order for the regulation and conduct of the proceedings of the chamber.

Premier to occupy residence free of rent.

5. The Premier shall be entitled to occupy free of rent, a residence provided by the Government.

Payment of travelling and subsistence allowances.

6. Every Minister (including the Premier), every Parliamentary Secretary, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, the President of the Senate and every other member of a chamber of the Legislature, shall be paid travelling and subsistence allowances at such rates and subject to such conditions, as may from time to time be prescribed by order of the Minister responsible for finance.

Sums payable under this Ordinance charged on revenues of British Guiana.

7. The sums payable under the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby charged on the revenues of British Guiana.

Date of commencement of payments.

8. The payments to which any member of a chamber of the Legislature may be entitled by virtue of the provisions of this Ordinance, shall be made commencing on the date on which that person first took his seat in the chamber of the Legislature of which he is a member or on the date on which he subscribes to the oath or affirmation of allegiance required by the Constitution of British Guiana, whichever is earlier, but where a member of a chamber of the Legislature is appointed to be a Minister or a Parliamentary Secretary, or elected to be the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly or the President of the Senate, the appropriate payments shall be made to him as a Minister or Parliamentary Secretary, or as the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly or as the President of the Senate commencing on the date of his appointment or election to any of the respective offices aforesaid.

Repeal.

No. 28 of 1955.

9.(1) The Executive and Legislative Councils (Remuneration of Members) Ordinance, 1953, and any Ordinance amending the same are hereby repealed.

No. 28 of 1955.

(2) The Speaker of the Legislative Council (Remuneration) Ordinance, 1955, is hereby repealed.

#### SCHEDULE

Section 3(1) & 4.

1. The Premier, and every other Minister charged by the Governor with responsibility for any department or subject, shall be paid a salary at the rate of \$10,080 per annum.
2. Every Parliamentary Secretary shall be paid a salary at the rate of \$5,760 per annum.
3. The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly shall be paid a salary at the rate of \$6,000 per annum.
4. The President of the Senate shall be paid a salary at the rate of \$3,600 per annum.

5. Every member of the Legislative Assembly shall be paid a salary at the rate of \$3,000 per annum.
6. Every Senator shall be paid a salary at the rate of \$1,800 per annum.
7. The Premier shall be paid an entertainment allowance of \$200 per month.

#### OBJECTS AND REASONS

This Bill seeks to make provision for the payment of salaries and allowances to the Premier, other Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, the President of the Senate and members of the Legislature.

2. Provision is made in clause 9 of the Bill for the repeal of the Executive and Legislative Councils (Remuneration of Members) Ordinance, 1953, and any Ordinance amending the same, and the Speaker of the Legislative Council (Remuneration) Ordinance, 1955, which hitherto provided for the payment of salaries and allowances to members of the Executive and Legislative Councils and the Speaker of the Legislative Council under the former constitution.

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