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SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES TRIBUNAL ACT, 1975.

DETERMINATION OF THE SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES TRIBUNAL

(30th JANUARY, 1979)

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Mr. P. R. Adams, Q.C.	•••••		MEMBER
Mr. F. S. Cross, O.B.E.		•••••	MEMBER

DETERMINATION

OF THE

SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES TRIBUNAL

(30th JANUARY, 1979)

MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

SALARIES

1. The present basic salary paid to a Member of the Lower House in each of the States is as follows:—

			per annum \$	Operative Date
N.S.W		 	23 214	1/1/1979
Victoria			25 192	1/7/1978
Queensland		 	25 720	1/7/1978
South Australia		 	21 300*	1/1/1978
Western Australia	ı	 	21 221	1/7/1978
Tasmania		 	22 463	1/7/1978

^{*} Currently under review.

- 2. The existing salary relationship between Members of Parliament in Western Australia and Members of other State Parliaments is unrealistic in view of the similarity in duties and responsibilities and a substantial lift in the basic salary of a Member in this State is clearly justified. However, in view of the need for continued restraint we have decided to award an increase of 5 per cent only with effect on and from 1st January, 1979.
- 3. The additional salaries paid to Ministers of the Crown, Officers of Parliament and the Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet are also to be increased by 5 per cent on and from 1st January, 1979.
- 4. We further determine that having regard to the Judgment in the National Wage Case (June and September Quarters 1978) the annual rates of salary resulting from the decisions contained in paragraphs 2 and 3 hereof are to be increased by 4 per cent on and from 1st January, 1979.

ELECTORATE ALLOWANCES

5. A major component of a Member's electorate allowance is a provision to meet expense incurred by the Member in operating, maintaining and replacing a motor vehicle. There has been a significant increase in expense under these headings in recent times and this and other increased costs have been taken into account in determining the allowances which are to apply on and from 1st January, 1979.

MOTOR VEHICLE ALLOWANCE

6. At present, certain members enjoy an advantage as a result of free air travel to and from their electorates, which is not available to other Members as their electorates are not serviced by air. Therefore, in those cases where a Member representing and living in an electorate in the Agricultural, Mining and Pastoral Area uses his private vehicle in order to attend Parliamentary sittings he is to be paid a motor vehicle allowance provided such travel is not less than 100 kilometres return.

POSTAGE ALLOWANCES

7. At present, a Member whose electorate is in the Metropolitan Area receives a Postage Allowance of \$470 per annum compared with \$690 per annum for other Members. It is considered that the allowance should be the same for all Members irrespective of the location of their electorates and we have determined accordingly.

STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATES

- 8. As a result of the decision in the National Wage Case (June and September Quarters 1978), the salaries of Stipendiary Magistrates are to be increased by 4 per cent on and from 1st January, 1979. It has also been decided to reduce the numbers of steps in the base salary range from five to three and to bring the third year rate into line with the salary determined for Senior Stipendiary Magistrates.
 - 9. Expense allowances have been re-assessed and from 1st January, 1979 are to be as follows:—

		\$
Chief Stipendiary Magistrate	••••	 1 200
Other Stipendiary Magistrates		 750

OFFICERS IN THE SPECIAL DIVISION OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND PERSONS HOLDING PRESCRIBED OFFICES

- 10. As a result of the decision in the National Wage Case (June and September Quarters 1978) the salaries of Officers of the Public Service holding offices included in the Special Division of the Public Service and the persons holding Prescribed Offices are to be increased by 4 per cent on and from 1st January 1979.
- 11. Expense allowances have been re-assessed and from 1st January 1979 are to range from \$300 to \$1 200 per annum as listed in the Second Schedule to the attached Determination.

DETERMINATION

12. Our attached Determination which is in two Schedules comes into operation on 1st January 1979.

Dated at Perth this 30th day of January 1979.

K. J. TOWNSING, Chairman.

P. R. ADAMS, Q.C., Member.

F. S. CROSS, Member.

Salaries and Allowances Tribunal.

DETERMINATION—FIRST SCHEDULE

Pursuant to the provisions of the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal Act 1975, the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal determines the remuneration to be paid to Ministers of the Crown, the Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet, Officers and Members of the Parliament, as hereunder, with effect on and from 1st January 1979.

PART I—REMUNERATION OF MEMBERS GENERALLY

Section 1—Basic Salary

There is payable to each Member an annual salary calculated at the rate of \$23 173 per annum.

Section 2—Electorate Allowances

In addition to the basic salary payable to him, there is payable to a Member, in respect of the expenses of discharging his duties, an electorate allowance at the appropriate rate specified in the second column of the table set forth hereunder opposite the name of the Electoral Province or Electoral District that the Member represents in the House of which he is a Member, namely:—

ELECTORAL PROVINCES

Fi Name of l] A	cond Column Rate of Electorate Allowance er Annum			
·				-	\$
North					14 050
Lower North					13 350
Central					12 230
South					12 230
South-East					12 230
Upper West					12 230
Lower Central					11 750
South-West			•		11 270
Lower West				••••	9 550
West				• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	9 550
East Metropolita				•	7 350
Metropolitan		· ···•	• • • • •		7 350
North Metropoli				• • • • •	7 350
North-East Metr					7 350
South Metropolit			••••		7 350
South-East Metro	opolitai	1			7 350

ELECTORAL DISTRICTS

Nan	Second Column Rate of Electorate Allowance Per Annum					
						\$
Kimberley Pilbara			••••			13 300 13 300
Gascoyne	 		•			12 600
Murchison-	Eyre			••••		12 600
Greenough Mt Marsha	 11					11 480 11 480
Roe						11 480
Yilgarn-Du	ndas					11 480
Katanning						11 000
Merredin Moore				••••	••••	11 000 11 000
Narrogin				••••		11 000
Stirling			••••		•	11 000
Warren					•	11 000
Collie						10 520
Kalgoorlie Vasse				••••		10 520 10 520
Wellington					••••	10 520
Albany		••••				9 980
Bunbury				•		9 980
Geraldton		••	•	•		9 980
Avon					••	8 800
Mundaring Murray	•	•				8 800 8 800

ELECTORAL DISTRICTS—continued

Nan	Fi ne of	Second Column Rate of Electorate Allowance Per Annum				
						\$
Dale	••••					7 620
Darling Ran	ıge	••••				7 620
Kalamunda						7 620
Rockinghar	n					7 620
Ascot						6 600
Balcatta	••••		••••	••••		6 600
Canning	••••				••••	6 600
Clontarf				••••		6 600
Cockburn						6 600
Cottesloe						6 600
Dianella						6 600
East Melvil		••••		••••	••••	6 600
Floreat						6 600
Fremantle	•					6 600
Gosnells	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			••••		6 600
Karrinyup				••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	6 600
Maylands			••••	••••	••••	6 600
Melville			••••	••••	••••	6 600
Morley					••••	6 600
Mt Hawtho						6 600
Mt Lawley			••••			6 600
Murdoch			••••		••••	6 600
Nedlands		••••	••••	••••	••••	6 600
Perth			••••	••••	••••	6 600
Scarboroug	 h		••••	••••	••••	6 600
South Perth	,11 1	****	••		•	6 600
Subiaco		••••	••••	••••	••••	6 600
Swan	•	••••	•	••••	••••	6 600
Victoria Pa	 rk	••••	••••	••••		6 600
Welshpool	ıv		••••	••••	••••	6 600
	••••	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	••••	••••	••••	
Whitford			••••			6 600

Section 3-Motor Vehicle Allowance

A Member representing an electoral province or district in the Agricultural, Mining and Pastoral Area whose principal place of residence is in such province or district and who, in order to attend sittings of Parliament uses his private vehicle to travel to and from Perth for that purpose shall be paid a motor vehicle allowance at current Public Service Rates for the shortest practicable route provided such travel is not less than 100 kilometres return.

PART II—REMUNERATION OF MINISTERS OF THE CROWN

- 1. In addition to the remuneration payable by virtue of Part I of this Determination, there is payable—
 - (a) to the person for the time being holding the office of Premier in conjunction with a ministerial office, a salary calculated at the rate of \$25 543 per annum.
 - (b) to the person for the time being holding the office of Deputy Premier in conjunction with a ministerial office, a salary calculated at the rate of \$19 437 per annum.
 - (c) to the person for the time being holding the office of Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council in conjunction with a ministerial office, a salary calculated at the rate of \$17 213 per annum.
 - (d) to each person, not being a person referred to in subparagraph (a), (b) or (c) of this paragraph, for the time being holding a ministerial office a salary calculated at the rate of \$14 437 per annum.
- 2. If a person holds more ministerial offices than one, he shall be paid a salary under this Part in respect of one only of those offices.

PART III—REMUNERATION OF OFFICERS OF PARLIAMENT AND THE PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY OF THE CABINET

1. In addition to the remuneration payable to him by virtue of Part I of this Determination there is payable to the person for the time being holding the office specified in the first column of the table hereunder a salary of the amount and at the rate specified in the second column thereof, namely:—

First Column Office		Second Column lary Per Annum				
						\$
President of the Legislative Council						8 209
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly					••••	8 209
Chairman of Committees in either House					••••	2 999
Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Counci	1					3 551
Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assemb	oly	****			****	11 100
Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative	Asser	nbly				3 551
Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet						3 551
Government Whip in the Legislative Council			••••			1 777
Opposition Whip in the Legislative Council						1 777
Government Whip in the Legislative Assembly		••••	••••			2 555
Opposition Whip in the Legislative Assembly			••••	••••		2 555
The person who not being a Minister of the Crown Legislative Assembly of at least seven members of is the Premier or the Leader or Deputy Leader of The person who is the Whip in the Legislative Cou of a party of at least seven member other that Premier or the Leader of the Opposition, and to case of the Whip in the Legislative Council has	other the fine of the or the first seven	nan a pa Oppositi the Learty what t menti member	arty whon on gislativ ose Le oned p	e Assertate is party in	ader mbly the the that	1 332
House or in the case of the Whip in the Legislat members in that House	ive Ass	sembly :	has sev	en or 1	nore 	445

- 2. Where the Legislative Assembly is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time, a person who is the Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet or is the holder of the office of:—
 - (a) Chairman of Committees in that House;
 - (b) Leader of the Opposition in that House;
 - (c) Deputy Leader of the Opposition in that House;
 - (d) Government Whip in that House;
 - (e) Opposition Whip in that House; or
 - (f) Third Party Whip in that House

is entitled, notwithstanding the dissolution or expiry of that House, to receive the salary payable to him by virtue of paragraph 1 of this Part and the allowance, if any, payable to him under Part IV of this Determination until the date fixed for the taking of the poll next following the dissolution or expiry of that House.

Provided that the Person holding the office of:—

- (a) Leader of the Opposition in that House; or
- (b) Deputy Leader of the Opposition in that House,

shall if re-elected at such poll, continue to receive the salary payable to him by virtue of paragraph 1 of this Part and the allowance, if any, payable to him under Part IV of this Determination until such time as the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly is notified in writing that a change has taken place in the holder of such office; or, in the event of a change of Government as a result of such poll, until such time as the new Government is commissioned to take office.

On the resignation of the Government, as a result of such poll-

- (a) The Leader of that Government; and
- (b) The Deputy Leader of that Government; or
- (c) in the case where that Government was made up of two or more parties the Leader and the Deputy Leader of the Party in that Government with the greater number of Members, shall in each case, if himself re-elected at such poll, commence to receive and continue to receive the salary payable to the Leader of the Opposition or the Deputy Leader of the Opposition, as the case may be, under paragraph 1 of this Part and the allowance, if any, payable to him under Part IV, until such time as the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly is notified in writing that a change has taken place in the holder of such office.

PART IV-EXPENSE ALLOWANCES

In addition to the remuneration payable under Parts I, II and III of this Determination there shall be payable to the holders for the time being of the following offices the following allowances, namely:—

Office occupied by the Member for Parliament										
						\$				
Premier						3 360				
Deputy Premier						1 680				
Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council						1 680				
Ministers of the Crown (other than the Premier, Deputy		ier, and	l the L	eader o	f the					
Government in the Legislative Council)						1 120				
Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly				••••		1 120				
President of the Legislative Council						840				
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly						840				
Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council						560				
Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Asse						560				
Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet						560				
The person who not being a Minister of the Crown i Assembly of a party of at least seven Members othe	s the	Leader	in the	Legisle respe	ative ctive					
leaders are the Premier and the Leader or Deputy L	eader (of the	Opposi	tion		F C A				
Chairman of Committees in the Legislative Council						420				
Chairman of Committees in the Legislative Assembly						420				

PART V-TRAVELLING ALLOWANCES

1. There shall be payable to the Premier, a Minister of the Crown, an Honorary Minister and the Parliamentary Secretary of the Cabinet, when travelling within Australia on official duty, but not when travelling to, from and within his own electorate, who actually incurs expense in securing overnight accommodation at a place situated outside a radius of 50 kilometres from Perth, by way of reimbursement a travelling allowance at the following rate:—

Premier	• • • •	••••	• • • • •	••••	••••	••••	••••	••••	••••	••••	\$60 per day
Other Mi	nister,	Honor	ary	Minister	and	Parliam	nentary	Secre	tary of	the	
Cabinet						••••		••••	••••		\$48 per day

Provided that in lieu of the above allowances:—

- (a) When travelling in a ministerial railway coach, all costs reasonably and properly incurred shall be reimbursed.
- (b) When travelling by train (not in a ministerial coach) or by ship, the allowance shall be eighteen dollars (\$18) per day.

Provided further that where the costs of such travelling reasonably and properly incurred exceed the above allowances the actual costs shall be reimbursed.

- 2. The Deputy Premier when travelling within Australia on duty representing the Premier but not when travelling to, from and within his own electorate, shall be entitled to the same allowances as the Premier.
- 3. The Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council, and the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly, when (in either case) travelling within Australia on duty as such Leader but not when travelling to, from and within their own electorates, shall be entitled to the same allowances as a Minister; and so also shall the Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly when travelling within Australia on duty whether for and in the place of the Leader, or as such Deputy Leader only.
- 4. A Member (not being a Minister), when travelling on duty within Australia as an official representative of the Government or the Parliament, or as an official Member of a Government or Parliamentary committee or delegation including a Member of a Select Committee of a House or a Joint Select Committee of Houses but not when travelling to, from and within his own electorate, shall be entitled to the same allowances as a Minister.

PART VI-POSTAGE ALLOWANCES

There shall be payable to Members of Parliament and to the undermentioned Officers of Parliament (except Ministers and any others whose mail is sent free of charge to them in a manner similar to the mail of Ministers) a postage allowance as follows:—

Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly \$1 470 per annum Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council \$1 320 per annum S1 320 per annum The person who not being a Minister of the Crown is the Leader of a party in the Legislative Assembly of at least seven Members, other than a party whose Leader is the Premier or the Leader or Deputy Leader of the Opposition \$1 020 per annum S690 per annum

Provided that each of the above allowances is to be adjusted proportionately in accordance with any percentage variation after 1st January 1979 in the basic minimum first class letter rate as fixed by Australia Post, rounded, however to the nearest upper \$10 per annum; such increase to operate from the date on which such increased postal rates commence.

PART VII—TELEPHONE RENTAL AND CALLS

- 1. Every Member of Parliament (other than Ministers, the President of the Legislative Council, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, the Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly and the Chairmen of Committees, and any others whose private telephone rentals and calls are paid in full from public funds) shall be entitled to receive, as an allowance or emolument, payment to him by way of reimbursement, of the full rental and 85 per centum of all charges for calls incurred by him in respect of a telephone in his private residence, or, where he reasonably maintains more than one residence by reason of his membership of Parliament, in each such residence.
- 2. Every Member of Parliament provided with an electorate office shall be entitled to receive, as an allowance or emolument, payment to him by way of reimbursement, of the full rental and 85 per centum of all charges for calls incurred by him in respect of a telephone in his electorate office and an extension of the same telephone to his private residence.
- 3. Where a Member of Parliament at his expense, arranges the installation of a second telephone in his electorate office, he shall be entitled to receive, as an allowance or emolument, payment to him by way of reimbursement, of the full rental and 85 per centum of all charges for calls incurred by him in respect of that second telephone.
- 4. Insofar as a Member of Parliament pays or is charged with any telephone calls made by him from Parliament House, he shall be entitled to receive, as an allowance or emolument, payment to him by way of reimbursement of all such charges.
- 5. In this Part, "calls" include all charges (other than international calls or telegrams) as usually included on Telecom Australia accounts rendered to subscribers.

PART VIII—PAYMENT OF REMUNERATION

- 1. The remuneration payable to a Member under Parts I, VI and VII of this Determination shall be calculated from the day on which the Member is elected as a Member, and except as provided by paragraph 2 of this Part, cease to be payable as from the day on which he ceases to be a Member.
- 2. Where a Member of the Legislative Assembly ceases to be a Member thereof by reason of the dissolution of that House or the expiry thereof by effluxion of time, he is notwithstanding his cessation of membership, entitled to continue to receive the remuneration provided in Parts I, VI and VII of this Determination until the day fixed for the taking of the poll next following the dissolution or expiry of that House.
- 3. Remuneration payable under Parts I (Sections 1 and 2) II, III, IV and VI of this Determination shall be paid by equal instalments on the last day of each month.

Dated at Perth this 30th day of January 1979.

K. J. TOWNSING, Chairman.

P. R. ADAMS, Q.C., Member.

F. S. CROSS, Member.

DETERMINATION—SECOND SCHEDULE

Pursuant to the provisions of the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal Act 1975, the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal determines the remuneration to be paid to Stipendiary Magistrates, Officers of the Public Service holding offices included in the Special Division of the Public Service and the persons holding Prescribed Offices, as hereunder, with effect on and from 1st January 1979.

PART I—REMUNERATION OF STIPENDIARY MAGISTRATES

		Salary Per Annum	Allowance Per Annum
	_	\$	
Stipendiary Magistrate—		·	•
First year		28 304	750
Second year	• • • •	29 086	750
Third year	•	29 866	750
Senior Stipendiary Magistrate		29 866	750
Deputy Chief Stipendiary Magistrate		30 645	750
Chief Stipendiary Magistrate	•	31 984	1 200

PART II—REMUNERATION OF OFFICERS OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE IN THE SPECIAL DIVISION OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE

				Salary Per Annum	Allowance Per Annum
		_		\$	\$
Director, Department of Tourism	••••	••••		31 982	600
Chief Executive Officer, Road Traffic Authority	••••	••••		33 374	600
Commissioner of State Taxation	••••			33 374	600
Deputy Under Treasurer	••••	••••	••••	33 374	300
Director, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife		••••		33 374	600
Director of Administration, Medical and Health Se	rvices			33 374	300
General Manager, Metropolitan Water Board	••••			33 374	600
General Manager, State Government Insurance Off	ice			33 374	600
General Manager, State Housing Commission		••••		33.374	600
Surveyor General, Department of Lands and Surve	ys		•	33 374	300
Under Secretary for Labour and Industry	••••	••••	••••	33 374	600
Under Secretary for Lands		•		33 374	600
Under Secretary for Law				33 374	600
Under Secretary for Mines				33 374	600
Under Secretary for Works	••••	••••		33 374	600
Under Secretary, Premier's Department	••••		••••	33 374	600
Chief Engineer, Metropolitan Water Board				35 154	300
Director of Conservation and Environment				35 154	600
Town Planning Commissioner	••••			35 154	600
Crown Counsel, Crown Law Department	••••	••••	••••	36 935	600
Crown Solicitor, Crown Law Department	••••		••••	36 935	600
Director, Department for Community Welfare	••••			36 935	900
Parliamentary Counsel, Crown Law Department			••••	36 935	600
Principal Architect, Public Works Department				36 935	600
Commissioner of Public Health and Medical Service	es			38 715	1 200
Co-ordinator of Industrial Development				38 715	1 200
Director General of Education		••••	••••	38 715	1 200
Director, Mental Health Services		••••		38 715	1 200
Director of Agriculture		••••		38 715	1 200
Director of Engineering, Public Works Department			••••	38 715	900
Under Treasurer	••••		••••	38 715	1 200

PART III—REMUNERATION OF PERSONS HOLDING PRESCRIBED OFFICES

		Salary Per Annum	Allowance Per Annum
		\$	\$
Commissioners, Rural and Industries Bank		31 982	300
Commissioners, W.A. Industrial Commission		31 982	300
Administrator, Royal Perth Hospital		33 374	600
Assistant Commissioners of Main Roads		33 374	300
Assistant Commissioners, State Energy Commission		33 374	300
Chief Executive Officer, W.A. Meat Commission		33 374	600
Commissioner, Public Service Board		33 374	300
Deputy Chairman, Public Service Board		33 374	300
Deputy Chairman of Commissioners, Rural and Industries Ba	ınk	33 374	300
General Manager, Fremantle Port Authority		33 374	600
General Manager, Totalisator Agency Board		33 374	600
General Manager, W.A. Coastal Shipping Commission		33 374	600
Public Service Arbitrator		33 374	600
Senior Industrial Commissioner, W.A. Industrial Commission	n	33 374	300
State Librarian, Library Board of W.A		33 374	600
Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigatio	ns	35 154	600
Auditor General		36 935	900
Chief Industrial Commissioner, W.A. Industrial Commission	••••	36 935	900
Commissioner of Police		36 935	900
Chairman of Commissioners, Rural and Industries Bank		38 715	1 200
Chairman, Metropolitan (Perth) Passenger Transport Trust		38 715	1 200
Chairman, Post Secondary Education Commission		38 715	1 200
Chairman, Public Service Board		38 715	1 200
Commissioner of Main Roads		38 715	1 200
Commissioner, State Energy Commission		38 715	1 200
Conservator of Forests		38 715	1 200
Director General of Transport		38 715	1 200
Commissioner of Railways		40 495	1 200

Dated at Perth this 30th day of January, 1979.

K. J. TOWNSING, Chairman.

P. R. ADAMS, Q.C., Member.

F. S. CROSS, Member.

Salaries and Allowances Tribunal.

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