

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
86th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2007  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 239**

"AN ACT TO RECOGNIZE, HONOR, AND PROTECT ARKANSAS CITIZENS WHO ARE  
SUMMONED TO SERVE AS JURORS IN ARKANSAS STATE COURTS; TO INCREASE  
THE RATE OF JUROR COMPENSATION; AND TO REIMBURSE COUNTIES FOR THE  
COSTS OF JURIES."

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**Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 239.**

Amend Senate Bill No. 239 as originally introduced:

Delete SECTION 2 in its entirety and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. Effective January 1, 2008, Arkansas Code § 16-34-103 is amended to read as follows:

16-34-103. Per diem ~~fees~~ compensation for jurors and prospective jurors.

(a) ~~Persons~~ Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, persons whose names appear on any legal and authorized grand jury or petit jury list of the respective counties of Arkansas shall receive in addition to any other fees allowable by law the following per diem ~~fees~~ compensation:

(1) When the person fails for any reason to attend court, none;  
(2) When the person attends court and is excused by the court for any reason from serving as a juror, a minimum of fifteen dollars (\$15.00); and

(3) When the person has been sworn touching his or her qualifications to serve as a juror and has been accepted by the court as qualified, a minimum fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00).

(b)(1) Subject to an appropriation and adequate funding for the purpose of § 16-34-106, any person who receives official notice that he or she has been selected as a prospective juror or who is chosen as a juror is eligible to receive per diem compensation for service if:

(A) The person actually appears at the location to which the juror or prospective juror was summoned; and

(B) The person's appearance is duly noted by the circuit clerk.

(2) The per diem compensation payable to any person who is eligible for payment under this subsection (b) is forty dollars (\$40.00) per day."

AND



Delete SECTION 3 in its entirety and substitute the following:

"SECTION 3. Effective January 1, 2008, Arkansas Code § 16-34-104 is amended to read as follows:

16-34-104. Mileage ~~of unaccepted~~ reimbursement for jurors.

(a) Any Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, any person who attends any court of record in the State of Arkansas as a juror in obedience to a summons, except such persons as are summoned among the bystanders at the court, and who for any cause is not accepted on the jury shall receive, in addition to the per diem compensation, a mileage reimbursement payment for mileage from and to his or her home by the most direct and practicable route at a rate to be prescribed by the quorum court of the county, but this rate is not to exceed the rate prescribed for state employees in state travel regulations.

(b) Subject to an appropriation and adequate funding for the purpose of § 16-34-106, any person who is eligible to receive per diem compensation under § 16-34-103(b) and whose primary place of residence is outside the city limits of the city where the court that summoned the juror or prospective juror is located shall receive, in addition to the per diem compensation, a mileage reimbursement payment for mileage from and to his or her home by the most direct and practicable route at the rate prescribed for state employees in state travel regulations."

AND

Page 3, delete line 23 and 24, and substitute the following:

"(a) Subject to an appropriation and to the extent that funding is available for reimbursement under subsection (b) of this section, the per diem compensation under § 16-34-103(b) and the mileage reimbursement under § 16-34-104(b) shall be paid promptly to each juror or"

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_

By: Senator Luker  
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