

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1284

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12 By: Senators Bookout, G. Baker, R. Thompson, M. Lamoureux, Madison, J. Key, D. Johnson, D. Wyatt  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

14 AN ACT TO AMEND SEVERAL PROVISIONS OF THE LAW  
15 CONCERNING MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND FOR  
16 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

18 TO AMEND SEVERAL PROVISIONS OF THE LAW  
19 CONCERNING MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL  
20 ASSEMBLY.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 10-2-224 is amended to read as follows:  
25 10-2-224. Compensation for attendance at national or regional  
26 conferences.  
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28 (a) When the General Assembly is in recess for a period of two (2)  
29 weeks or more, a member of the General Assembly is:

30 (1) Authorized to attend national or regional conferences under  
31 the same conditions as apply to the attendance at the conferences after sine  
32 die adjournment of the General Assembly; and

33 (2) Entitled to receive reimbursement from the same sources and  
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1 under the same conditions for conferences occurring after sine die  
2 adjournment for:

3 (A) Reasonable and necessary expenses for:

4 (i) Travel;

5 (ii) Meals; and

6 (iii) Lodging; and

7 (B) Other authorized expenses.

8 (b)(1) A member of the General Assembly may travel to a national or  
9 regional conference by commercial airplane, private vehicle, or other  
10 approved method of transportation.

11 (2)(A) Reimbursement for out-of-state travel is the lesser rate  
12 of reasonable airfare or the established rate of private car mileage based on  
13 map mileage when driven.

14 (B) Travel authorized by a chair of a legislative  
15 committee shall also be subject to approval by the Speaker of the House of  
16 Representatives or the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

17 (C) When the Speaker of the House of Representatives or  
18 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate provides the written authorization to  
19 travel, the Speaker of the House of Representatives or his or her designee or  
20 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or his or her designee shall  
21 determine the amount of reimbursement in dollars and cents.

22 (3)(A) A member of the General Assembly who prefers to be  
23 reimbursed for travel to a national or regional conference by a mode of  
24 transportation other than private vehicle or commercial airplane shall submit  
25 a request for reimbursement to the Speaker of the House of Representatives or  
26 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate in a manner established respectively  
27 by the Speaker of the House or Representatives or the President Pro Tempore  
28 of the Senate.

29 (B) A member of the General Assembly who submits a request  
30 for reimbursement under subdivision of (b)(3)(A) of this section shall be  
31 reimbursed at a rate documented in writing and approved by the Speaker of the  
32 House of Representatives or the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

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34 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 21-1-402(f), concerning registration as a  
35 lobbyist by a former member of the General Assembly, is amended to read as  
36 follows:

1 (f)(1) A former member of the General Assembly shall not be eligible  
2 to be registered as a lobbyist under § 21-8-601 et seq. until one (1) year  
3 after the expiration of the term of office for which he or she was elected.

4 (2) Subdivision (f)(1) of this section applies to all persons  
5 elected to the General Assembly on or after the effective date of this act.

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7 /s/Moore

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