

**Table 3.9
LEGISLATIVE COMPENSATION AND LIVING EXPENSE ALLOWANCES DURING SESSIONS**

State	Salaries			Mileage cents per mile	Session per diem rate
	Per-diem salary	Limit on days	Annual salary		
Alabama.....	\$10 C	...	...	10/mile for a single roundtrip per session. 50.5/mile interim cmt. attendance.	\$3,958/month plus \$50/day for three days during each week that the legislature actually meets during any session (U).
Alaska.....	\$50,400	50./mile for approved travel.	\$232 or \$276/day (depending on the time of year) tied to federal rate. Legislators who reside in the Capitol area receive 75% of the federal rate.
Arizona.....	\$24,000	44.5/mile on actual miles.	\$35/day for the 1st 120 days of regular session and for special session and \$10/day thereafter; Members residing outside Maricopa County receive an additional \$25/day for the 1st 120 days of reg. session and for special session and an additional \$10/day thereafter (V). Set by statute.
Arkansas.....	\$15,869	50.5/mile.	\$136/d (V) plus mileage tied to federal rate.
California.....	\$95,291	Members are provided a vehicle. Mileage is not reimbursed.	\$141.86/day for each day they are in session.
Colorado.....	\$30,000	46/mile or 48/mile for 4wd. vehicle. Actual miles paid.	\$45/day for members living in the Denver metro area. \$150/day for members living outside Denver (V). Set by the legislature.
Connecticut.....	\$28,000	50./mile.	No per diem is paid.
Delaware.....	\$42,750	40/mile.	\$7,334 expense allowance annually.
Florida.....	\$29,697	44.5/mile for business travel.	\$133/day for House and \$133 for Senate (V) tied to federal rate. Earned based on the number of days in session. Travel vouchers are filed to substantiate.
Georgia.....	\$17,342	50¢/mile Ga. Code Ann. §50-19-7 sets rate of reimbursement at the same mileage rate established by the U.S. General Services Administration	\$173/d (U) set by the Legislative Services Committee.
Hawaii.....	\$46,272	...	\$150/day for members living outside Oahu during session; \$120/day for members living outside Oahu during interim while conducting legislative business; \$10/day for members living on Oahu during the interim while conducting official legislative business.
Idaho.....	\$16,116	One roundtrip per wk. at state rate.	\$122/day for members establishing second residence in Boise; \$49/day if no second residence is established and up to \$25/day travel (V) set by Compensation Commission.
Illinois.....	\$67,836	50./mile, tied to federal rate.	\$132/per session day.
Indiana.....	\$22,616	55./mile	\$152/day (U) tied to federal rate.
Iowa.....	\$25,000	39/mile	\$118/day (U). \$88.50/day for Polk County legislators (U) set by the legislature to coincide with federal rate. State mileage rates apply.

See footnotes at end of table.

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	Regular sessions		Annual salary	Mileage cents per mile
	Per diem salary	Limit on days		
Kansas.....	\$88,66 C	...	...	50/mile, set by Dept. of Admin. \$123/d (U) tied to federal rate.
Kentucky.....	\$188,22 C	...	...	50.5¢/mile based on federal mileage rate \$135.30/d (U) tied to federal rate. (110% federal per diem rate).
Louisiana.....	...	...	...	50/mile, tied to federal rate. \$152/day (U) tied to federal rate (26 U.S.C. Section 162(b)(1)(B)(ii)).
Maine.....	...	...	...	44/mile \$38/day housing, or mileage and tolls in lieu of housing (at rate of \$0.44/mile up to \$38/day) plus \$32/day for meals. Per diem limits are set by statute.
Maryland.....	...	...	...	50¢/mile for authorized events Lodging \$100/day; meals \$42/day (V) tied to federal rate and compensation commission. \$225/day for out of state travel. Includes meals and lodging.
Massachusetts.....	...	...	...	Between \$10 and \$100, determined by distance from State House. From \$10/day-\$100/day, depending on distance from State House (V) set by the legislature.
Michigan.....	...	...	...	\$71,685 \$10,800 yearly expense allowance for session and interim (V) set by compensation commission.
Minnesota.....	...	...	...	\$31,140.90 Reimbursed at federal mileage rate for one trip per week during session (for non-local Members) and for needed business travel during interim.
Mississippi.....	...	...	...	\$10,000 48.5/mile; determined by Federal Register and Legislature.
Missouri.....	...	...	...	\$35,915 47/mile \$98.40/d tied to federal rate. Verification of per diem is by roll call.
Montana.....	\$82,64L	...	...	50/mile; Rate is based on IRS rate. Reimbursement for actual mileage traveled in connection with legislative business. \$103.69/d (U).
Nebraska.....	...	...	...	\$12,000 50.5/mile, tied to federal rate. \$109/day outside 50-mile radius from Capitol; \$39/day if member resides within 50 miles of Capitol (V) tied to federal rate.
Nevada.....	...	...	60 days	...
Nevada.....	\$137,90/day max. of 60 days of session for holdover Senators; \$146,29/day for all other legislators.	Federal rate, currently 50.5/mile Federal rate for Capitol area (U). Legislators who live more than 50 miles from the capitol, if require lodging, will be paid at HUD single-room rate for Carson City area for each month of session.

See footnotes at end of table.

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	Regular sessions		Annual salary	Limit on days		
	Per diem salary	...				
New Hampshire.....	\$200	2 yr. term	Round trip home to State House @ 38¢/mile for first 45 miles and 19¢/mile thereafter; or members will be reimbursed for actual expenses and mileage will be paid at the maximum IRS mileage rate	No per diem is paid.
New Jersey.....	\$49,000	...	Top leadership with state cars get gas credit cards.	No per diem is paid.
New Mexico.....	50.5/mile, tied to federal rate.	\$153/d (V) tied to federal rate and the constitution.
New York.....	\$79,500	...	50.5/mile.	\$71/per full day and \$61 per half day.
North Carolina.....	\$13,951	...	29¢/mile, 1 round trip/week during session; 1 round trip for attendance at interim cmte. mtgs.	\$104/d (U) set by statute. \$559/m expense allowance.
North Dakota.....	\$148/day during legislative sessions (C)	...	...	...	50¢/mile; one round trip/week during session.	Lodging reimbursement up to \$1,040/m (V).
Ohio.....	\$60,584	...	40¢/mile; one round trip/week from home to Statehouse for legislators outside Franklin County only	No per diem is paid.
Oklahoma.....	\$38,400	...	50¢/mile, tied to federal rate.	\$132/d (U) tied to federal rate.
Oregon.....	\$21,612	...	50/mile.	\$109d (U) tied to federal rate.
Pennsylvania.....	\$79,613	...	Rate is tied to federal rate	Tied to federal rate. Can receive actual expenses or per diem.
Rhode Island.....	\$13,963	...	40.5/mile to and from session.	No per diem is paid.
South Carolina.....	\$10,400	...	34.5/mile.	\$119/day for meals and housing for each statewide session day and committee meeting; tied to federal rate.
South Dakota.....	\$12,000	2 yr. term	37¢/mile for one round trip from Pierre to home each weekend. One trip is also paid at 5¢/mile. During the interim, 37¢/mile for scheduled committee meetings.	\$110/L (U) set by the legislature.
Tennessee.....	\$19,009	...	54/mile.	\$171/L (U) tied to the federal rate.
Texas.....	\$7,200	...	50¢/mile set by Comptroller's Office same for all state employees; an allowance for single, twin and turbo engines at \$1.24/mile is also given	\$150/d (U) set by Ethics Commission.
Utah.....	\$117/day(C)	50/mile, md. trip from home to capitol.	\$95/day (U) lodging allotment for each calendar day, tied to federal rate, \$61/day meals (U).

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	Per-diem salary	Limit on days			
Vermont	\$604.79 per a vote to reduce the salary by 5% this biennium below the statutory level	Federal mileage rate, now about 50¢/mile; state employee reimbursement rate	Federal per diem rate for Montpelier is \$101/day for lodging and \$61/day for meals for non-commuters; commuters receive \$61/day for meals plus mileage.
Virginia	\$18,000/year Senate, \$17,640/year House	50/mile.	House—\$135/day (U) tied to federal rate. Senate \$169 (U) tied to federal rate.
Washington	\$42,106	50/mile.	\$90/day
West Virginia	\$20,000	40.5/mile based on Dept. of Admin. travel regs.	\$131/d (U) during session set by compensation commission.
Wisconsin	\$49,943	48.5¢/mile for in-district business mileage plus one round trip/week to Capitol	\$88/day maximum (U) set by compensation commission (90% of federal rate). Per diem authorized under 13.123 (1), Wis. Statutes, and Leg.-Joint Rule 85.20.916(8) State Statutes and Joint Committee on Employment Relations (JCOER) establishes the max. amount according to the recommendations of the Director of the Office of State Employment Relations. The leadership of each house then determines, within that maximum, what amount to authorize for the session.
Wyoming	\$150/day (L)	...	...	50/mile.	\$109/day (V) set by the legislature, includes travel days for those outside of Cheyenne.

Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, 2011.

Key:
 C — Calendar day
 L — Legislative day
 (U) — Unvouchered
 (V) — Vouchered
 d — day
 w — week
 m — month
 y — year
 ... — Not applicable
 N.R. — Not reported