

No. 495

AN ACT

Amending the act of January twenty-one, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 3), entitled "An act relating to officers and employes of the General Assembly; fixing the number, qualifications, compensation, mileage and duties of the officers and employes of the Senate and of the House of Representatives; providing for their election or appointment, term of office, or of service, removal, and manner of filling vacancies; and making appropriations to the Senate, House of Representatives and Legislative Reference Bureau," changing the title of and compensation of certain Senate and House employes; providing for the appointment of additional employes therein; and making appropriations.

**General
Assembly.**

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 2, act of
January 21,
1947, P. L. 8,
amended April
7, 1955, P. L. 31,
further amended.

Section 1. Section two of the act of January twenty-one, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 3), entitled "An act relating to officers and employes of the General Assembly; fixing the number, qualifications, compensation, mileage and duties of the officers and employes of the Senate and of the House of Representatives; providing for their election or appointment, term of office, or of service, removal, and manner of filling vacancies; and making appropriations to the Senate, House of Representatives and Legislative Reference Bureau," amended April seven, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws 31), is amended to read:

**President of
Senate: officers
and employes.**

Section 2. The following officers and employes of the Senate shall be appointed by the President of the Senate, to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

(1) Two clerks to the President at an annual salary of [three thousand three hundred dollars (\$3300)] *three thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars (\$3666)* each;

(2) One secretary to the President at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

(3) One administrative assistant to the President at an annual salary of [five thousand dollars (\$5000)] *five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5500)*;

(4) One President's page at a per diem compensation of ten dollars (\$10).

Section 2. Sections three, four, five, six, seven and eight of the act, amended August 21, 1953 (P. L. 1262), and amended, in part, April 7, 1955 (P. L. 31), are amended to read:

Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, act of January 21, 1947, P. L. 3, amended August 21, 1953, P. L. 1262, and amended, in part, April 7, 1955, P. L. 31, further amended.

Section 3. The following officers and employes of the Senate shall be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

President pro tempore: officers and employes.

(1) One secretary to the President pro tempore at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

(1.1) Two clerks to the President pro tempore at an annual salary of [three thousand three hundred dollars (\$3300)] *three thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars (\$3666)* each;

(1.2) One administrative assistant to the President pro tempore at an annual salary of [five thousand dollars (\$5000)] *five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5500)*;

(2) One messenger to the President pro tempore at a per diem compensation of ten dollars (\$10);

(3) One chaplain at a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8);

(4) One journal clerk at a compensation of two thousand two hundred dollars (\$2200) for each regular session, plus [eleven dollars (\$11)] *twelve dollars (\$12)* for each day following the fifteenth day of June of any regular session which extends beyond the fifteenth day of June, and [eleven dollars (\$11)] *twelve dollars (\$12)* per diem for each special or extraordinary session;

(5) One assistant journal clerk at a compensation of one thousand nine hundred eighty dollars (\$1980) for each regular session, plus eleven dollars (\$11) for each day following the fifteenth day of June of any regular session which extends beyond the fifteenth day of June, and eleven dollars (\$11) per diem for each special or extraordinary session;

(6) One reading clerk at a compensation of two thousand four hundred seventy-five dollars (\$2475) for each regular session, plus eleven dollars (\$11) for each day following the fifteenth day of June of any regular session which extends beyond the fifteenth day of June, and thirteen dollars and fifty cents (\$13.50) per diem for each special or extraordinary session;

(7) One message clerk at a per diem compensation of [eleven dollars (\$11)] *fifteen dollars (\$15)*;

(8) One postmaster at a per diem compensation of nine dollars (\$9);

(9) One assistant postmaster at a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8);

(10) One chief sergeant at arms at an annual salary of [four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4200)] *five thousand fifty-eight dollars (\$5058)*;

(11) Eight sergeant at arms at a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8) each;

(12) One chief mailing clerk at an annual salary of [three thousand nine hundred sixty dollars (\$3960)] *four thousand forty-four dollars (\$4044)*;

(13) Two assistant mailing clerks at a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8) each;

(14) Forty-six stenographers, each of whom shall have successfully completed the prescribed course of a four year public high school or its equivalent, and as a part thereof or in addition thereto, shall have successfully completed a course of not less than eight months in shorthand and typewriting, at [a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8)] *an annual salary of three thousand thirty-six dollars (\$3036)* each;

(15) One chief official reporter, who shall be a competent court reporter, at [a per diem compensation of twenty-four dollars (\$24)] *an annual salary of seven thousand dollars (\$7000)*;

(16) One official reporter, who shall be a competent court reporter, at a per diem compensation of twenty-one dollars (\$21), and one official reporter at a per diem compensation of fifteen dollars (\$15);

(17) *One expert typist at an annual salary of four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)*, and [three] *two* expert typists at a per diem compensation of fifteen dollars (\$15) each;

(18) Two copy holders at a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8) each;

(19) Two proofreaders at a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8) each;

(20) Three transcribing clerks at a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8) each;

(21) One chief compiling clerk at an annual salary of [five thousand dollars (\$5000)] *five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5500)*;

(22) One executive clerk at a compensation of one thousand nine hundred eighty dollars (\$1980) for each regular session, plus eleven dollars (\$11) for each day following the fifteenth day of June of any regular session which extends beyond the fifteenth day of June, and eleven dollars (\$11) per diem for each special or extraordinary session;

(23) One chief messenger at a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8);

(24) Eight messengers at a per diem compensation of seven dollars (\$7) each;

(25) One day watchman at an annual salary of [two thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$2650)] *two thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$2820)*;

(26) One night watchman at an annual salary of [two thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$2650)] *two thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$2820)*;

(27) One chief custodian of the Senate Chamber at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

(28) One chief assistant custodian at an annual salary of *three thousand two hundred seventy dollars (\$3270)*;

[(28)] (29) [One custodian] *Three custodians* of the Senate Chamber at an annual salary of [two thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$2650)] *two thousand nine hundred twenty-eight dollars (\$2928) each*;

[(29)] One first assistant custodian of the Senate Chamber at an annual salary of two thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$2650);

* (29.1) One second assistant custodian of the Senate Chamber at an annual salary of two thousand three hundred and ten dollars (\$2310);

(30) One janitor at an annual salary of two thousand one hundred eighty dollars (\$2180);]

[(31)] (30) One custodian of the Senate basement at an annual salary of [two thousand three hundred ten dollars (\$2310)] *two thousand three hundred seventy dollars (\$2370)*;

[(32)] (31) One superintendent of the storeroom at an annual salary of *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

[(33)] (32) One Senate indexing clerk at an annual salary of [three thousand eighty dollars (\$3080)] *three thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars (\$3666)*;

[(34)] (33) One address system operator at a per diem compensation of ten dollars (\$10).

Section 4. The following employes of the Senate shall be appointed by the Secretary of the Senate to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

Secretary of
Senate:
employes.

(1) One assistant to the Secretary of the Senate at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *five thousand dollars (\$5000)*;

(1.1) *One stenographer to the Secretary of the Senate at an annual salary of four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)*;

* "29" in original.

(2) One history clerk at a per diem compensation of nine dollars (\$9);

(3) One messenger to the Secretary of the Senate at an annual salary of [two thousand three hundred ten dollars (\$2310)] *two thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$2650)*.

Chief Clerk of
Senate:
employees.

Section 5. The following employes of the Senate shall be appointed by the Chief Clerk of the Senate to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

(1) One assistant chief clerk at an annual salary of [five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5500)] *five thousand nine hundred dollars (\$5900)*;

(2) One stenographer at an annual salary of [three thousand eighty dollars (\$3080)] *four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)*.

Senate
Librarian:
employees.

Section 6. The following employes of the Senate shall be appointed by the Senate librarian to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

(2) One library clerk at an annual salary of [three thousand nine hundred sixty dollars (\$3960)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

(3) One secretary to the Senate librarian at an annual salary of [three thousand three hundred dollars (\$3300)] *three thousand seven hundred sixty-two dollars (\$3762)*;

(3.1) *One stenographer at an annual salary of three thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars (\$3666)*;

(4) One messenger to the Senate librarian at an annual salary of [two thousand three hundred ten dollars (\$2310)] *two thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$2650)*;

Majority Leader
of Senate:
employees.

Section 7. The following employes of the Senate shall be appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate who, for the purpose of this act, shall be deemed an officer of the Senate, to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

(1) One Secretary to the Majority Leader at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

(2) One administrative assistant to the Majority Leader at an annual salary of [five thousand dollars (\$5000)] *five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5500)*;

(3) One legislative clerk to the majority leader at [a per diem compensation of fifteen dollars (\$15)] *an annual salary of three thousand thirty-six dollars (\$3036)*.

Section 8. The following employes of the Senate shall be appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate who, for the purpose of this act, shall be deemed an officer of the Senate, to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

Minority Leader
of Senate:
employes.

(1) One secretary to the Minority Leader at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)* ;

(2) One administrative assistant to the Minority Leader at an annual salary of [five thousand dollars (\$5000)] *five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5500)* ;

(3) One legislative clerk to the Minority Leader at [a per diem compensation of fifteen dollars (\$15)] *an annual salary of three thousand thirty-six dollars (\$3036)*.

Section 3. Clauses (4), (7), (8), (11) and (13) of section twenty-one of the act; clause (4) amended September twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1565), and clauses (7), (8), (11) and (13) amended February eleven, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 4), are amended to read:

Clauses (4), (7), (8), (11) and (13), section 21, act of January 21, 1947, P. L. 3; clause (4) amended September 28, 1951, P. L. 1565, and clauses (7), (8), (11) and (13) amended February 11, 1949, P. L. 4, further amended.

Section 21. The House of Representatives shall, immediately upon the final enactment of this act, and in each odd-numbered year thereafter, at the beginning of each regular biennial session of the General Assembly elect, in addition to the Speaker as provided for by the Constitution, the following officers and employes, who shall serve for two years or until their successors are elected and have qualified, unless sooner removed by a majority vote of all of the Members of the House of Representatives during any regular biennial, special or extraordinary session of the General Assembly, and who shall receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

House of
Representatives:
Biennial election
of officers.

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(4) One Journal clerk at a compensation of two thousand two hundred dollars (\$2200) for each regular session, plus [eleven dollars (\$11)] *twelve dollars (\$12)* for each day following the fifteenth day of June of any regular session which extends beyond the fifteenth day of June, and [eleven dollars (\$11)] *twelve dollars (\$12)* per diem for each special or extraordinary session;

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(7) One message clerk at a per diem compensation of [twelve dollars (\$12)] *fifteen dollars (\$15)*;

(8) Three postmasters [at] *two of whom shall receive a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8) each, and one of whom who shall be named by the chief clerk*

as chief postmaster and shall receive [an additional per diem compensation of one dollar (\$1)] *an annual salary of three thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars (\$3666)*;

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(11) One bill numbering clerk at a per diem compensation of [eight dollars (\$8)] *ten dollars (\$10)*;

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(13) [Twenty-three] *Thirty-three* stenographers, each of whom shall have successfully completed the prescribed course of a four year public high school or its equivalent, and as a part thereof, or in addition thereto, shall have successfully completed a course of not less than eight months in shorthand and typewriting, at a per diem compensation [eight dollars (\$8)] *ten dollars (\$10)* each, *and five stenographers, each of whom shall have successfully completed the prescribed course of a four year public high school or its equivalent, and as a part thereof, or in addition thereto, shall have successfully completed a course of not less than eight months in shorthand and typewriting, at an annual salary of three thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars (\$3666) each.*

Sections 22, 23 and 24, clauses (1) and (2), section 25, and clauses (1) and (2), section 26, act of January 21, 1947, P. L. 3, amended August 21, 1953, P. L. 1262, and amended, in part, April 7, 1955, P. L. 31, further amended.
Speaker: officers and employes.

Section 4. Sections twenty-two, twenty-three and twenty-four, clauses (1) and (2) of Section twenty-five and clauses (1) and (2) of Section twenty-six of the act amended August twenty-one, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three (Pamphlet Laws 1262), and amended, in part, April seven, one thousand nine hundred fifty-five (Pamphlet Laws 31), are amended to read:

Section 22. The following officers and employes of the House of Representatives shall be appointed by the Speaker to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

(1) One parliamentarian at an annual salary of [seven thousand dollars (\$7000)] *eight thousand dollars (\$8000)*;

(2) One administrative assistant at an annual salary of [five thousand dollars (\$5000)] *five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5500)*;

(3) One secretary at an annual salary of four thousand [one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

(4) One [Speaker's clerk] *assistant secretary* at an annual salary of [three thousand three hundred dollars (\$3300)] *four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)*;

(5) One Speaker's [page at a per diem compensation of ten dollars (\$10)] *legislative clerk at an annual salary of four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4200)*.

Section 23. The following employes of the House of Representatives shall be appointed by the Chief Clerk to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

Chief Clerk of
House: employes.

(1) One assistant to the Chief Clerk at an annual salary of five thousand [five hundred dollars (\$5500)] *nine hundred dollars (\$5900)*;

(2) One secretary to the Chief Clerk at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

(3) One [stenographer] *assistant secretary* to the Chief Clerk at an annual salary of [three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3500)] *four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)*;

(4) One messenger to the Chief Clerk at an annual salary of [two thousand three hundred ten dollars (\$2310)] *two thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$2650)*;

(5) One amendment clerk at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand four hundred dollars (\$4400)*;

(6) One assistant amendment clerk at a per diem compensation of [eleven dollars (\$11)] *twelve dollars (\$12)*;

(7) One superintendent of the storeroom at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

(8) One [supply clerk] *assistant superintendent* at an annual salary of [two thousand three hundred ten dollars (\$2310)] *three thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars (\$3666)*;

(9) One chief official reporter who shall be a competent court reporter at a per diem compensation of twenty-four dollars (\$24);

(9.1) *One assistant to the chief official reporter who shall be a competent stenographer and an expert typist at a per diem compensation of eighteen dollars (\$18)*;

(10) Four official reporters, each of whom shall be a competent court reporter, at a per diem compensation of twenty-one dollars (\$21) each;

(10.1) [Five] *Eight* expert typists at a per diem compensation of fifteen dollars (\$15) each;

(11) One compiling clerk at an annual salary of [four thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$4750)] *five thousand fifty-eight dollars (\$5058)*;

(12) One finance clerk at an annual salary of [four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)] *five thousand fifty-eight dollars (\$5058)*;

(13) One address system operator at a per diem compensation of ten dollars (\$10);

(13.1) One supervising stenographer at a per diem compensation of [ten dollars (\$10)] *fifteen dollars (\$15) for each regular biennial, special or extraordinary session and three hundred fifty dollars (\$350) per month during the interim between legislative sessions.*

(14) Ten stenographers, each of whom shall have successfully completed the prescribed course of a four year public high school or its equivalent, and as a part thereof, or in addition thereto, shall have successfully completed a course of not less than eight months in shorthand and typewriting, at a per diem compensation of [eight dollars (\$8)] *ten dollars (\$10) each;*

(15) One history clerk at a per diem compensation of fifteen dollars (\$15);

(16) One history index clerk at a per diem compensation of [eight dollars (\$8)] *ten dollars (\$10);*

(17) One day watchman at an annual salary of [two thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$2650)] *two thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$2820);*

(18) One night watchman at an annual salary of [two thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$2650)] *two thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$2820);*

(19) One chief custodian of the hall of the House at an annual salary of [two thousand six hundred fifty dollars (\$2650)] *three thousand one hundred fifty dollars (\$3150);*

(20) Four custodians at an annual salary of [two thousand four hundred twenty dollars (\$2420)] *two thousand nine hundred twenty-eight dollars (\$2928) each;*

(21) Two copy holders at a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8) each;

(22) Two proof readers at a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8) each;

(23) One library clerk at an annual salary of [three thousand five hundred twenty dollars (\$3520)] *four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4200);*

(24) *Two caucus clerks at a per diem compensation of fifteen dollars (\$15) each.*

Secretary of
House: employe

Section 24. The following employes of the House of Representatives shall be appointed by the Secretary of the House of Representatives to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

(1) One secretary at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500);*

(2) One stenographer at [a per diem compensation of eight dollars (\$8)] *an annual salary of three thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars (\$3666)*;

(3) One clerk at an annual salary of [three thousand three hundred dollars (\$3300)] *three thousand six hundred sixty-six dollars (\$3666)*.

Section 25. The following employes of the House of Representatives shall be appointed by the Majority Leader who, for the purposes of this act, shall be deemed an officer of the House of Representatives, to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

Majority Leader
of House:
employes.

(1) One secretary at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

(2) One administrative assistant at an annual salary of [five thousand dollars (\$5000)] *five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5500)*;

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Section 26. The following employes of the House of Representatives shall be appointed by the Minority Leader who, for the purposes of this act, shall be deemed an officer of the House of Representatives, to serve at his pleasure and receive the compensation and perform the duties herein specified:

Minority Leader
of House:
employes.

(1) One secretary at an annual salary of [four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4100)] *four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500)*;

(2) One administrative assistant at an annual salary of [five thousand dollars (\$5000)] *five thousand five hundred dollars (\$5500)*;

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Section 5. The following sums, or as much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the House of Representatives of the General Assembly. Said sums shall be in addition to any sums heretofore appropriated to the House of Representatives for any of said purposes.

Appropriation
from General
Fund.

To the House of Representatives

To House of
Representatives.

For the payment of contingent expenses of the chief clerk of the House of Representatives for the legislative session of one thousand nine hundred fifty-five, the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7500).

Section 6. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective
immediately.

APPROVED—The 20th day of April, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER