



HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

RULE AMENDMENT (SECTION 45) – COMMITTEE PER DIEM

Effective Date: October 31, 2008	Commission Minute: CM 2008 - 082
<p>Subject: Per Diem Amounts for Eligible Members of the House of Assembly Management Commission and Committees of the House of Assembly</p>	<p>Reference: HOAMC Meeting, June 4, 2008 Agenda Item No. 7 HOAMC Meeting, July 3, 2008 Agenda Item No. 4 HOAMC Meeting, October 15, 2008 Agenda Item No. 5 NL Gazette, October 31, 2008</p>
<p>Issued To: All Members of the House of Assembly; Comptroller General; Directors of Government Accounting, Professional Services and Internal Audit, OMSP, and Corporate Services; Office of the Auditor General; Office Managers of Government Caucus, Official Opposition Caucus, NDP Caucus; Assistant Deputy Clerk, Executive Council; Director of Operations, Office of the Premier.</p>	<p>Contact: Marlene Lambe Chief Financial Officer 729 – 2923</p>

BACKGROUND

At the June 4 meeting, the Commission, pursuant to subsection 12(3) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act* (the Act), approved the establishment of a Per Diem of \$145 to a member who is a member of a Standing or Select Committee of the House of Assembly, the Commission or a committee of the commission, provided the member is not a minister or the holder of a position referred to in subsection 12 (1) of the Act. The Chair of such committees was approved to receive a Per Diem of \$190. **CM 2008 – 059** refers. The following rule amendment received first approval at the July 3, 2008 meeting and final approval at the October 15, 2008 meeting of the Commission.

Section 45 of the *Members' Resources and Allowances Rules* is repealed and the following is substituted:

Committee allowance

45 (1) A member who is a member of a standing or select committee of the House of Assembly, the commission or a committee of the commission may claim for reasonable expenses related to attendance at a committee or commission meeting when the House of Assembly is not in session.

(2) A member who is a member of a standing or select committee of the House of Assembly, the commission or a committee of the commission, other than a chair, may claim a daily amount of \$145 for attendance at a committee or commission meeting when the House of Assembly is not in session.

(3) A member who is a chair of a standing or select committee of the House of Assembly, the commission or a committee of the commission may claim a daily amount of \$190 for attendance at a committee or commission meeting when the House of Assembly is not in session.

(4) Subsections (2) and (3) shall not apply to a member who is a minister or who holds a position referred to in subsection 12(1) of the Act.

(5) Reasonable expenses claimed under subsection (1) shall be

- (a) in accordance with the Travel and Allowance rates permitted under these Rules; and
- (b) approved by the Speaker before being reimbursed to the member.

The new section 45 came into force on October 31, 2008, the date of publication in the NL Gazette.

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