



## REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

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### Determination 2006/23: Remuneration and Allowances for Holders of Public Office and Members of Parliament

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- (i) Pursuant to subsections 7(1), 7(3) and 7(4) of the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973*, the Remuneration Tribunal has inquired into the remuneration and allowances to be paid to holders of public office, and other matters significantly related thereto, and determines as set out below.
- (ii) This Determination takes effect on and from the day following the day it is registered in the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments unless otherwise specified.

#### **PART 1 – FULL-TIME OFFICES**

- 1.1 In this part, Determination Number 13 of 2006 (as amended) is referred to as the Principal Determination.
- 1.2 The Tribunal has reviewed the Principal Determination and has decided that no change should be made to the levels of remuneration and related matters.

#### **PART 2 – SPECIFIED STATUTORY OFFICERS**

- 2.1 In this part, Determination Number 5 of 2006 (as amended) is referred to as the Principal Determination.
- 2.2 The Tribunal has reviewed the Principal Determination and has decided that no change should be made to the levels of remuneration and related matters.

#### **PART 3 – PART-TIME OFFICES**

- 3.1 In this part, Determination Number 12 of 2006 (as amended) is referred to as the Principal Determination.
- 3.2 Column 2 of Table A1A, Schedule A of the Principal Determination is amended by omitting "85,520" and substituting "130,000" against the entry for Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC).

- 3.3** Schedule A of the Principal Determination is amended by replacing the current wording for clause A3 (ABC) under “Additional Clauses To Table A1A” with the following:

“A member who is appointed as a Deputy Chair will receive \$64,140 per annum.”

- 3.4** Table A1A of Schedule A of the Principal Determination is amended by including the following entry:

<b><u>Column 1</u></b> <b>Office Authority</b>	<b><u>Column 2</u></b> <b>Chair</b> <b>\$</b>	<b><u>Column 3</u></b> <b>Member</b> <b>\$</b>	<b><u>Column 4</u></b> <b>Additional</b> <b>clauses</b> <b>applying</b>	<b><u>Column 5</u></b> <b>Travel</b> <b>tier</b>
Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee	(full-time)	29,000		1

- 3.5** Schedule B of the Principal Determination is amended by deleting “Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee”.

- 3.6** Table A1A of Schedule A of the Principal Determination is amended by omitting the current entry for the Australian Fair Pay Commission, and substituting the following entry:

<b><u>Column 1</u></b> <b>Office Authority</b>	<b><u>Column 2</u></b> <b>Chair</b> <b>\$</b>	<b><u>Column 3</u></b> <b>Member</b> <b>\$</b>	<b><u>Column 4</u></b> <b>Additional</b> <b>clauses</b> <b>applying</b>	<b><u>Column 5</u></b> <b>Travel</b> <b>tier</b>
Australian Fair Pay Commission	35,000	22,750	A38	1

- 3.7** Schedule A of the Principal Determination is amended by replacing the current wording for clause A38 (AFPC) under “Additional Clauses To Table A1A” with the following:

“The Chairman will receive an amount of \$725 per day for each day above 35 days per annum, up to a maximum of 85 days per annum. The Member will receive an amount of \$544 per day for each day above 35 days per annum, up to a maximum of 55 days per annum.”

- 3.8** Clauses 3.2 to 3.7 take effect on and from 1 January 2007.

- 3.9** The Tribunal has reviewed the Principal Determination and has decided that no other change should be made to the level of fees and allowances.

## **PART 4 – MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT - TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE**

- 4.1 In this part, Determination Number 14 of 2006 (as amended) is referred to as the Principal Determination.
- 4.2 Clause 2.13 of the Principal Determination is amended by deleting the table under the heading Table 2A - MAXIMUM NUMBER OF OVERNIGHT STAYS PER YEAR and inserting the following in its place:

<b>Chamber</b>	<b>State or Territory/Electorate</b>	<b>Overnight stays a year</b>
Senators	Except from the Northern Territory	30
	From the Northern Territory <sup>a</sup>	66
Members	Electorate of 10,000 to 19,999 km <sup>2</sup>	16
	Electorate of 20,000 to 99,999 km <sup>2</sup>	25
	Electorate of 100,000 to 499,999 km <sup>2</sup>	35
	Electorate of 500,000 to 999,999 km <sup>2</sup>	50
	Electorate of Lingiari	66
	Electorate of Kalgoorlie	75

<sup>a</sup> *Subject to review.*

## **PART 5 – MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT - ENTITLEMENTS**

- 5.1 In this part, Determination Number 18 of 2006 (as amended) is referred to as the Principal Determination.
- 5.2 Part 8 of the Principal Determination is amended by replacing the heading 'SEVERANCE TRAVEL' with the heading 'SEVERANCE BENEFITS', followed by a sub-heading 'Severance Travel'.
- 5.3 The Principal Determination is amended by inserting the following clauses after clause 8.5:

### **"Resettlement Allowance**

8.6. Subject to clauses 8.7 and 8.8, a senator or member who retires involuntarily from the Parliament will be paid a Resettlement Allowance equal to 12 weeks of the basic parliamentary salary.

8.7 Senators and members eligible for the Resettlement Allowance are those who:

- (a) have joined the Parliament at or since the November 2001 election; and
- (b) are not able to access a pension or superannuation benefit (related to their service in the Parliament) immediately upon ceasing to be a Member of the Parliament; and

- (c) have retired involuntarily through loss of party endorsement for reasons other than misconduct, or through defeat at an election.
- 8.8 The Resettlement Allowance will be payable:
- (a) upon dissolution of the Parliament, where the senator or member elects not to stand for re-election following loss of party pre-selection for reasons other than misconduct; or
  - (b) upon announcement of the election results, where the senator or member has been defeated at an election (including where he or she has campaigned to be elected to represent a different electoral division or to the other House of the Parliament); and
  - (c) at the rate of basic parliamentary salary that is current on the date the Parliament is dissolved prior to the election."

**PART 6 – PARLIAMENTARY OFFICE HOLDERS – ADDITIONAL SALARY**

**6.1** In this part, Determination Number 21 of 2006 is referred to as the Principal Determination.

**6.2** Table 1 of the Principal Determination is amended by inserting the following entries:

Deputy Chair of an Investigating Standing Committee established by resolution of either House	5.5%
Deputy Chair of the Senate Standing Committee of Privileges	5.5%
Deputy Chair of the House of Representatives Standing Committee of Privileges	5.5%
Deputy Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances	5.5%
Deputy Chair of the Senate Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills	5.5%
Deputy Chair of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Procedure	5.5%

Signed this 22 day of December 2006



John C Conde AO  
PRESIDENT



Janet E Grieve  
MEMBER

John D C Allen  
MEMBER