

Determination 2011/20: Members of Parliament - Entitlements

- (i) Pursuant to subsections 7(1), 7(2) and 7(4) of the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973*, the Remuneration Tribunal has inquired into the remuneration and allowances to be paid to members of parliament and 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 - MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

- 1.1 In this part, Determination Number 18 of 2006 (as amended) is referred to as the Principal Determination.
- **1.2** The Principal Determination is amended by replacing the table in clause 6.2 with the following table:

Chamber	State or Territory/ Electorate	Maximum Allowance Per Annum
Senators	Northern Territory	\$64,155
	Queensland or Western Australia	\$25,840
	New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia or Tasmania	\$14,490
Members	300,000 km² or more	\$85,440
	100,000 to 299,999 km ²	\$37,250
	25,000 to 99,999 km²	\$20,640
	10,000 to 24,999 km ²	\$10,160

- **1.3** Clause 1.2 has effect on and from 1 July 2011.
- 1.4 The Principal Determination is amended by deleting clauses 8.6 to 8.8 and replacing them with the following clauses:
 - **Basic** Resettlement Allowance: A senator or member specified in Clause 8.9 who retires involuntarily from the Parliament will be paid a Resettlement Allowance, under the conditions in Clause 8.10, equal to three months of the base parliamentary salary.

- 8.7 <u>Additional Allowance</u>: If a senator or member qualifies for a payment under Clause 8.6 he or she will also be paid a further three months of the base parliamentary salary if he or she is:
 - (a) a senator for a state who has served more than three full years in the Parliament, or
 - (b) a senator for a territory or a member who has served more than one full term in the Parliament.

For the purposes of this clause the period of service referred to is the period of continuous service that ceases when the senator or member retires involuntarily.

- **8.8** 'Retires involuntarily' means retirement through:
 - (a) electing not to stand for re-election following loss of party endorsement, for reasons other than misconduct; or
 - (b) defeat at an election (including defeat at an election where he or she has campaigned to be elected to represent a different electoral division or to the other House of the Parliament).
- **8.9** Subject to clauses 8.6 and 8.8, members and senators eligible for a Resettlement Allowance are:
 - (a) those first elected before 9 October 2004, whose retiring allowance under the *Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Act 1948* is subject to deferral under that Act when he or she ceases to be a Member of the Parliament; or
 - (b) those first elected on or after 9 October 2004, who declare in writing to the Clerk of the relevant House of Parliament the intention to seek employment after leaving Parliament.
- **8.10** The Resettlement Allowance will be payable:
 - (a) only after the senator or member ceases to be a senator or member; and
 - (b) at the rate of basic parliamentary salary that is current on the date the Parliament is proroqued prior to the election."

Signed this (day of September 2011.

John C Conde AO PRESIDENT John B Prescott AC MEMBER

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