

Determination 2014/02: Members of Parliament – Travelling Allowance and 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 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.

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PART 1 - MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT - TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE

- 1.1 In this part, Determination Number 17 of 2013 (as amended) is referred to as the Principal Determination.
- Part 3 of the Principal Determination is amended by deleting Clause 3.23 along with its heading "Second Deputy Speaker in the House of Representatives". Clauses subsequent to Clause 3.23 will not be renumbered.
- Part 3 of the Principal Determination is amended by deleting the current Table 1 and replacing it with the following:

Chamber	State or Territory/Electorate	Overnight stays a year
Senators	Except from the Northern Territory	30
	From the Northern Territory	66
Members	Electorate of 10,000 to 19,999 km ²	16
	Electorate of 20,000 to 99,999 km ²	25
	Electorate of 100,000 to 999,999 km ²	75
	Electorate of 1,000,000 km² and over	90

1.4 Clause 3.11 of Part 3 of the Principal Determination is amended by replacing the current words with the following:

"In addition to the provisions in clause 3.8, a Minister or an office holder travelling between Western Australia or the Northern Territory and Canberra on parliamentary business who is required to break a journey may be paid travelling allowance in accordance with the rates in Schedule A, only where the Minister or office holder certifies that the break in journey was caused by there being no same-day connecting flight reasonably available."

1.5 Clause 3.13 of Part 3 of the Principal Determination is amended by replacing the current words with the following:

"In addition to the provisions in clause 3.12, a member travelling between Western Australia or the Northern Territory and Canberra on parliamentary business who is required to break a journey may be paid travelling allowance in accordance with the rates in Schedule A, only where the member certifies that the break in journey was

PART 2 - MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT - ENTITLEMENTS

- **2.1** In this part, Determination Number 4 of 2012 (as amended) is referred to as the Principal Determination.
- The Table in Clause 7.2 of Part 7 of the Principal Determination is amended by deleting the figure "\$87,580" (for Members with an electorate of 300,000 sq km or more) and replacing it with the figure "\$120,000".
- 2.3 Clause 1.4 of Part 1 of the Principal Determination is amended by replacing the current definition of "accompany" with the following:
 - "'accompany' means to travel with a senator or member to the final destination of a trip he or she is undertaking, and departing no more than 24 hours after the senator or member departs."
- **2.4** Clause 1.4 of Part 1 of the Principal Determination is amended by replacing the current definition of "join" with the following:
 - "'join' means to travel to meet a senator or member for a period of at least 3 hours, with the person joining the senator or member arriving no more than 24 hours before the senator or member arrives, and departing no more than 24 hours after the senator or member departs."
- 2.5 Clause 3.10 of Part 3 of the Principal Determination is amended by replacing the words "travels to or from Canberra, the journey may be broken by one stop-over of one night in a capital city, provided the journey to or from Canberra is completed" with the following:

"travels to or from Canberra, the journey may be broken by one stop-over of one night in a capital city, only where the stop-over is necessary because there is no same-day connecting flight reasonably available and the journey to or from Canberra is completed the following day."

Signed this **2**% day of February 2014.

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