



Remuneration Tribunal (Members of Parliament) Determination 2026

We, the members of the Remuneration Tribunal, make the following determination.

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Part 1—Preliminary

1 Name

This instrument is the *Remuneration Tribunal (Members of Parliament) Determination 2026*.

2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this instrument	30 August 2026.	30 August 2026

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under sections 45, 46 and 46A of the *Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017*.

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

5 Definitions

Note: A number of expressions used in this instrument are defined in the Act, including the following:

- (a) administering authority;
- (b) former member;
- (c) member;
- (d) office holder.

In this instrument:

Act means the *Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017*.

additional lease cost: see subsection 16(3).

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Administrator has the same meaning as in the Regulations.

Canberra has the same meaning as in the Regulations.

commercial accommodation means accommodation in a commercial establishment such as a hotel, motel or serviced apartment.

eligible trip: see subsection 20(3).

excess lease cost: see subsection 14(3).

fare has the same meaning as in the Regulations.

Finance Department means the Department administered by the Minister administering the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*.

home base has the same meaning as in the Regulations.

member's private vehicle allowance has the same meaning as in the Regulations.

minority party has the same meaning as in the Regulations.

private vehicle has the same meaning as in the Regulations.

Regulations means the *Parliamentary Business Resources Regulations 2017*.

scheduled commercial transport has the same meaning as in the Regulations.

total additional lease cost: see subsection 17(3).

6 References to certain cities

- (1) In this instrument, a reference to a city that is any of the following includes a reference to a location within a 10 kilometre radius of the city's general post office or within a 5 kilometre radius of the city's main airport:
 - (a) Adelaide;
 - (b) Brisbane;
 - (c) Melbourne;
 - (d) Perth;
 - (e) Sydney.
- (2) In this instrument, a reference to a city that is either of the following includes a reference to a location within a 5 kilometre radius of the city's general post office or within a 5 kilometre radius of the city's main airport:
 - (a) Darwin;
 - (b) Hobart.

Part 2—Remuneration of members

Division 1—Salaries and electorate allowance

7 Base salary

For the purposes of subsection 14(2) of the Act, the base salary is \$239,270.

Note: See also section 29 (excluded portion of base salary for the purposes of the *Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Act 1948*).

8 Electorate allowance

For the purposes of paragraph 14(3)(a) of the Act:

- (a) the electorate allowance for a senator is \$39,700 per financial year; and
- (b) the electorate allowance for a member of the House of Representatives is worked out in accordance with the following table.

Electorate allowance		
Item	If the area of the member's electoral division is:	the member's electorate allowance is:
1	less than 2,000km ²	\$39,700 per financial year.
2	at least 2,000km ² but less than 5,000km ²	\$47,200 per financial year.
3	at least 5,000km ²	\$57,100 per financial year.

9 Office holder's salary

- (1) This section determines office holder's salary for the purposes of paragraph 14(3)(b) of the Act.

Note 1: The Remuneration Tribunal does not determine Ministerial salaries (see sections 44 and 45 of the Act), which are paid under section 66 of the Constitution.

Note 2: See also section 30 (excluded portion of office holder's salary for the purposes of the *Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Act 1948*).

- (2) Subject to subsections (3), (4) and (5), the office holder's salary of a senator or member of the House of Representatives who holds one or more offices specified in column 1 of the table in section 11 is the sum of the percentages of the base salary specified in column 2 opposite those offices.

Example: The office holder's salary of a person who holds the offices of Government Deputy Whip in the Senate and Chair of the Senate Standing Committee of Privileges is 16% of the base salary (5% plus 11% of the base salary).

- (3) Despite subsection (2):

- (a) the office holder's salary of a Shadow Cabinet Minister who is specified in the most recent notice given by the Leader of the Opposition under section 10 is 25% of the base salary; and

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- (b) the office holder's salary of a Shadow Minister (other than a Shadow Cabinet Minister) who is specified in the most recent notice given by the Leader of the Opposition under section 10 is 20% of the base salary.

Example: The office holder's salary of a Shadow Cabinet Minister who is specified in a section 10 notice and who is Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Senate is 25% of the base salary.

Note: The office holder's salary of a Shadow Minister who is not specified in a section 10 notice is worked out in accordance with the rule in subsection (2) of this section.

- (4) If the third largest party in the House of Representatives is a minority party, the percentages of base salary specified in items 7 and 8 of the table are taken to be nil for the purposes of working out the office holder's salary of the leader of that party.

Note: It does not matter for the purposes of this instrument whether the leader of the third largest party in the House of Representatives is a senator or a member of the House of Representatives.

- (5) Despite subsections (2) and (4), the office holder's salary of the leader of the third largest party in the House of Representatives is nil if that person receives Ministerial salary.
- (6) If office holder's salary is not a multiple of \$10, it is to be rounded up to the next highest multiple of \$10.

10 Office holder's salary—Shadow Ministers

- (1) The Leader of the Opposition may give to both the Clerk of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives a notice that specifies:
- (a) Shadow Cabinet Ministers; and
 - (b) other Shadow Ministers.
- (2) The number of Shadow Cabinet Ministers that is specified in the notice must not exceed the number worked out using the following formula:

$$A - B$$

where:

A is the number of Cabinet Ministers.

B is the number of members of the Opposition who hold an office for which the percentage of the base salary specified in the table in section 11 is more than 25%.

- (3) The number of Shadow Ministers (other than Shadow Cabinet Ministers) that is specified in the notice must not exceed the number worked out using the following formula:

$$A - B - C$$

where:

A is the number of Ministers specified in paragraph 4(b) of the *Ministers of State Act 1952* (currently 30).

B is the number of Shadow Cabinet Ministers specified in the notice.

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C is the number of members of the Opposition who hold an office for which the percentage of the base salary specified in the table in section 11 is more than 25%.

- (4) The notice must not specify the leader of the third largest party in the House of Representatives.

11 Office holder's salary—Percentage of base salary for offices

The following table is specified for the purposes of section 9.

Percentage of base salary for offices		
Item	Column 1 Office	Column 2 Percentage of base salary
1	Leader of the Opposition	85%
2	President of the Senate	75%
3	Speaker of the House of Representatives	75%
4	Deputy Leader of the Opposition	57.5%
5	Leader of the Opposition in the Senate	57.5%
6	Leader of the third largest party in the House of Representatives	45%
7	Leader of a minority party with more than 10 members in the Parliament	45%
8	Leader of a minority party with up to 10 members in the Parliament	42.5%
9	Manager of Opposition Business in the House of Representatives	27.5%
10	Chief Government Whip in the House of Representatives	26%
11	Manager of Opposition Business in the Senate	25%
12	Chief Opposition Whip in the House of Representatives	23%
13	Deputy President and Chair of Committees in the Senate	20%
14	Deputy Speaker in the House of Representatives	20%
15	Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Senate	20%
16	Chief Government Whip in the Senate	20%
17	Chief Opposition Whip in the Senate	18%
18	Second Deputy Speaker in the House of Representatives	13%
19	Whip in the House of Representatives of a Government party with more than 10 members in the House	13%
20	Whip in the House of Representatives of an Opposition party with more than 10 members in the House	12%
21	Manager of minority party Business in the Senate, where the party has at least 10 members in the Senate	12%
22	Whip in the House of Representatives of a minority party with at least 5 members in the House	9%
23	Whip in the Senate of a minority party with at least 5 senators	9%

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Percentage of base salary for offices		
Item	Column 1 Office	Column 2 Percentage of base salary
24	Government Deputy Whip in the Senate	5%
25	Opposition Deputy Whip in the Senate	5%
26	Deputy Whip in the House of Representatives of a Government party with more than 10 members in the House	3%
27	Deputy Whip in the House of Representatives of an Opposition party with more than 10 members in the House	3%
28	Member of the Speaker's Panel in the House of Representatives	3%
29	Temporary Chair of Committees in the Senate	3%
30	Deputy Whip in the House of Representatives of a minority party with at least 5 members in the House	2%
31	Chair of the Joint Statutory Committee of Public Accounts and Audit	16%
32	Chair of the Joint Statutory Committee on Public Works	16%
33	Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and Trade	16%
34	Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties	16%
35	Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters	16%
36	Chair of a Joint Statutory Committee or Joint Standing Committee, not otherwise specified (except the Joint Standing Committee on the Parliamentary Library)	11%
37	Chair of a Senate Legislative and General Purpose Standing Committee	11%
38	Chair of a House of Representatives General Purpose Standing Committee	11%
39	Chair of a Joint Select Committee or Select Committee in the Senate or the House of Representatives	11%
40	Chair of an Investigating Standing Committee established by resolution of either House	11%
41	Chair of the Senate Standing Committee of Privileges	11%
42	Chair of the House of Representatives Standing Committee of Privileges and Members' Interests	11%
43	Chair of the Senate Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation	11%
44	Chair of the Senate Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills	11%
45	Chair of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Procedure	11%
46	Deputy Chair of the Joint Statutory Committee on Public Accounts and Audit	8%
47	Deputy Chair of the Joint Statutory Committee on Public Works	8%
48	Deputy Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign	8%

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Percentage of base salary for offices		
Item	Column 1 Office	Column 2 Percentage of base salary
	Affairs and Trade	
49	Deputy Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties	8%
50	Deputy Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters	8%
51	Deputy Chair of a Joint Statutory Committee or Joint Standing Committee, not otherwise specified (except the Joint Standing Committee on the Parliamentary Library)	5.5%
52	Deputy Chair of a House of Representatives General Purpose Standing Committee	5.5%
53	Deputy Chair of a Joint Select Committee or Select Committee in the Senate or the House of Representatives	5.5%
54	Deputy Chair of an Investigating Standing Committee established by resolution of either House	5.5%
55	Deputy Chair of the Senate Standing Committee of Privileges	5.5%
56	Deputy Chair of the House of Representatives Standing Committee of Privileges and Members' Interests	5.5%
57	Deputy Chair of the Senate Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation	5.5%
58	Deputy Chair of the Senate Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills	5.5%
59	Deputy Chair of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Procedure	5.5%
60	Chair of the Senate Standing Committee of Senators' Interests	3%
61	Chair of a Parliamentary Committee concerned with public affairs rather than the domestic affairs of Parliament not otherwise specified	3%

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Division 2—Other remuneration

Subdivision A—Private plated vehicles

12 Provision of private plated vehicles

- (1) For the purposes of paragraph 14(4)(a) of the Act, a person who is a senator or member of the House of Representatives is to be provided with a private plated vehicle in accordance with this Subdivision if, at the time of requesting a vehicle, the person has not requested a vehicle allowance for at least 12 months.
- (2) Subject to sections 16 and 17, only one vehicle may be provided to a person under this Subdivision.

Note: Sections 16 and 17 provide that one or 2 additional four-wheel-drive vehicles may be provided to certain persons.
- (3) A vehicle provided under this Subdivision is provided subject to the condition that the vehicle is used only for non-commercial purposes.
- (4) The provision of a vehicle under this Subdivision includes the payment by the Commonwealth of the costs of operating and maintaining the vehicle.
- (5) A request under this Subdivision must be made in writing to the Finance Department.

13 Standard vehicles

A senator or member of the House of Representatives is to be provided, upon request, with a private plated vehicle that:

- (a) is of a type made available by the Commonwealth for the purposes of this section; and
- (b) has a value that does not exceed, at the time of the request, the luxury car tax threshold (for non-fuel-efficient cars) mentioned in subsection 25-1(3) of the *A New Tax System (Luxury Car Tax) Act 1999*.

14 Non-standard vehicles

- (1) A person who is a senator, or member of the House of Representatives whose electoral division has an area of less than 300,000km², is to be provided, upon request, with a private plated vehicle of a type not made available by the Commonwealth for the purposes of section 13.

Note: A non-standard vehicle may be provided under this section instead of a standard vehicle (see subsection 12(2)).
- (2) For each financial year in which the person is provided with the vehicle, the person may request that either of the following amounts be reduced by the excess lease cost for the vehicle and the financial year:
 - (a) the limit that applies in relation to the person and the financial year under subsection 14(1) of the Regulations;
 - (b) the person's electorate allowance for the financial year.

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Note: A senator for the Northern Territory who has been provided with one or 2 additional vehicles under section 17 cannot make a request under this subsection (see subsection (6) of this section) but can instead make a request under subsection 17(2).

- (3) The **excess lease cost**, for a vehicle and a financial year, is the difference between the following expected costs when the vehicle is ordered:
 - (a) the cost of leasing the vehicle for the financial year;
 - (b) the cost, for the financial year, of leasing the most expensive type of vehicle made available by the Commonwealth for the purposes of section 13.
- (4) If the person requests that one of the amounts mentioned in subsection (2) (the **nominated amount**) be reduced by the excess lease cost for the vehicle and a financial year:
 - (a) the nominated amount is to be reduced (including to zero) in accordance with the request; and
 - (b) if the nominated amount (before it is reduced) is less than the excess lease cost, the other amount mentioned in subsection (2) is to be reduced (including to zero) by the difference between the nominated amount and the excess lease cost.
- (5) If the person does not make a request under subsection (2) for a financial year in which the person is provided with the vehicle:
 - (a) the limit that applies in relation to the person and the financial year under subsection 14(1) of the Regulations is to be reduced (including to zero) by the excess lease cost for the vehicle for the financial year; and
 - (b) if the excess lease cost is greater than that limit, the person's electorate allowance for the financial year is to be reduced (including to zero) by the difference between the excess lease cost and the limit.
- (6) Subsections (2), (4) and (5) do not apply in relation to a senator for the Northern Territory who has been provided with one or 2 additional vehicles under section 17.

15 Four-wheel-drive vehicles for members with large electoral divisions

A member of the House of Representatives whose electoral division has an area of at least 300,000km² is to be provided, upon request, with a private plated four-wheel-drive vehicle of a type made available by the Commonwealth for the purposes of this section.

Note: A four-wheel-drive vehicle may be provided under this section instead of a standard vehicle (see subsection 12(2)).

16 Additional four-wheel-drive vehicles for members with large electoral divisions

- (1) A member of the House of Representatives whose electoral division has an area of at least 300,000km², and who has been provided with a vehicle under section 13 or 15, is to be provided, upon request, with one or 2 private plated four-wheel-drive vehicles of a type made available by the Commonwealth for the purposes of this section.

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- (2) For each financial year in which the member is provided with one or 2 vehicles under this section, the member may request that either of the following amounts be reduced by the additional lease cost for the member and the financial year:
 - (a) the limit that applies in relation to the member and the financial year under subsection 14(1) of the Regulations;
 - (b) the member's electorate allowance for the financial year.
- (3) The **additional lease cost**, for a member of the House of Representatives and a financial year, is the cost of leasing the vehicle, or both of the vehicles, provided to the member under this section for the financial year.
- (4) If the member requests that one of the amounts mentioned in subsection (2) (the **nominated amount**) is to be reduced by the additional lease cost for the member and the financial year:
 - (a) the nominated amount is to be reduced (including to zero) in accordance with the request; and
 - (b) if the nominated amount (before it is reduced) is less than the additional lease cost, the other amount mentioned in subsection (2) is to be reduced (including to zero) by the difference between the nominated amount and the additional lease cost.
- (5) If the member does not make a request under subsection (2) for a financial year in which the member is provided with the vehicle:
 - (a) the limit that applies in relation to the member and the financial year under subsection 14(1) of the Regulations is to be reduced (including to zero) by the additional lease cost for the member and the financial year; and
 - (b) if the additional lease cost is greater than the limit, the member's electorate allowance for the financial year is to be reduced (including to zero) by the difference between the additional lease cost and the limit.

17 Additional four-wheel-drive vehicles for Northern Territory senators

- (1) A senator for the Northern Territory who has been provided with a vehicle under section 13 or 14 is to be provided, upon request, with one or 2 private plated four-wheel-drive vehicles of a type made available by the Commonwealth for the purposes of this section.
- (2) For each financial year in which the senator is provided with one or 2 vehicles under this section, the senator may request that either of the following amounts be reduced by the total additional lease cost for the senator and the financial year:
 - (a) the limit that applies in relation to the senator and the financial year under subsection 14(1) of the Regulations;
 - (b) the senator's electorate allowance for the financial year.
- (3) The **total additional lease cost**, for a senator and a financial year, is the total of:
 - (a) the cost of leasing the vehicle, or both of the vehicles, provided to the senator under this section for the financial year; and
 - (b) if the senator has been provided with a vehicle under section 14—the excess lease cost for the vehicle and the financial year.

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- (4) If the senator requests that one of the amounts mentioned in subsection (2) (the ***nominated amount***) is to be reduced by the total additional lease cost for the senator and the financial year:
 - (a) the nominated amount is to be reduced (including to zero) in accordance with the request; and
 - (b) if the nominated amount (before it is reduced) is less than the total additional lease cost, the other amount mentioned in subsection (2) is to be reduced (including to zero) by the difference between the nominated amount and the total additional lease cost.
 - (5) If the senator does not make a request under subsection (2) for a financial year in which the senator is provided with the vehicle:
 - (a) the limit that applies in relation to the senator and the financial year under subsection 14(1) of the Regulations is to be reduced (including to zero) by the total additional lease cost for the senator and the financial year; and
 - (b) if the total additional lease cost is greater than the limit, the senator's electorate allowance for the financial year is to be reduced (including to zero) by the difference between the total additional lease cost and the limit.

Subdivision B—Vehicle allowance**18 Vehicle allowance in lieu of private plated vehicle**

- (1) For the purposes of paragraph 14(4)(b) of the Act, a vehicle allowance of \$19,500 per financial year is payable, upon request, to a person who is a senator or member of the House of Representatives if:
 - (a) at the time of requesting the allowance, the person has never requested to be provided with a private plated vehicle; or
 - (b) both of the following apply:
 - (i) at the time of requesting the allowance, the person had last requested to be provided with a private plated vehicle more than 12 months previously;
 - (ii) the person reimburses the Commonwealth for any expenses incurred by the Commonwealth as a result of ceasing to provide a private plated vehicle to the person.

Note: Vehicle allowance is payable to a person instead of the person being provided with a private plated vehicle (see paragraph 14(4)(b) of the Act).

- (2) A request under subsection (1) must be made in writing to the administering authority.
- (3) To avoid doubt, the amount of vehicle allowance payable to a person is not affected by how many vehicles could be provided to the person under Subdivision A.

Subdivision C—Internet and telephone services**19 Internet and telephone services**

- (1) This section is made for the purposes of paragraph 14(4)(c) of the Act.

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- (2) The cost of up to 2 services covered by subsection (3) of this section and provided to a private residence of a person who is a senator or member of the House of Representatives is payable.
- (3) A service is covered by this subsection if it is a telephone service (including VoIP), an internet service, or a service under which a telephone service and an internet service are provided under the one contract, and is not a streaming or similar service.
- (4) The cost of an additional fixed internet and telephone service provided to a private residence of the person in Canberra is payable if the person is:
 - (a) a Minister; or
 - (b) the Leader or Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives or the Senate; or
 - (c) the leader of the third largest party in the House of Representatives; or
 - (d) a presiding officer; or
 - (e) the leader of a minority party.
- (5) The cost of an additional telephone service provided to a private residence of the person in Canberra is payable if the person is a Chief Government Whip, or Chief Opposition Whip, in the House of Representatives or the Senate.
- (6) The cost of an additional telephone service provided to a private residence of the person outside Canberra is payable if the person is a Chief Government Whip, or Chief Opposition Whip, in the House of Representatives or the Senate.
- (7) For the purposes of this section, the cost of a service includes installation, maintenance, rental, transfer and call and data costs.

Part 3—Allowances and expenses for former members

20 Post-parliamentary travel

- (1) For the purposes of subsection 15(1) of the Act, a person who is a former member (other than a person covered by subsection (6) of this section) is to be paid expenses, in accordance with this section, for:
 - (a) if the person is covered by subsection (2) of this section—up to 4 eligible trips by the person; or
 - (b) otherwise—up to 3 eligible trips by the person.
- (2) A person is covered by this subsection if, immediately before becoming a former member:
 - (a) the person was a member of the House of Representatives; and
 - (b) the person was provided with 3 or more offices in the person's electorate under subsection 33(1) of the Act.
- (3) A trip is an *eligible trip*, by a person, if:
 - (a) the trip is completed within 3 months after the person becomes a former member; and
 - (b) the trip is a return trip between:
 - (i) the person's home base and Canberra; or
 - (ii) the person's home base and the location of one of the offices provided to the person under the Act; and
 - (c) the trip is made by:
 - (i) scheduled commercial transport; or
 - (ii) private vehicle.
- (4) For an eligible trip made by scheduled commercial transport, the expenses are:
 - (a) if the scheduled commercial transport offers economy class travel—an economy class fare for the trip; or
 - (b) otherwise—the fare for the trip.
- (5) For an eligible trip made by private vehicle, the expenses are the lesser of the following:
 - (a) the expenses that would be payable if the eligible trip were made by scheduled commercial transport;
 - (b) member's private vehicle allowance.
- (6) A person is covered by this subsection if the person is covered by item 1 of the table in subsection 10(1) of the *Parliamentary Retirement Travel Act 2002* (about former Prime Ministers who have retired from the Parliament).
- (7) To avoid doubt:
 - (a) expenses are not to be paid under this section for a trip taken by a person who is not a former member; and
 - (b) this section applies in relation to each occasion on which a person becomes a former member.

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21 Resettlement allowance

- (1) For the purposes of subsection 15(1) of the Act, a person who is a former member is to be paid an allowance in accordance with this section if:
- (a) all of the following apply:
 - (i) the person was first elected before 9 October 2004;
 - (ii) the person is not entitled to a retiring allowance under the *Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Act 1948* upon ceasing to be entitled to a parliamentary allowance merely because of section 22DC of that Act (deferral of retiring allowance);
 - (iii) the person is covered by subsection (4), (5) or (6); or
 - (b) all of the following apply:
 - (i) the person was first elected on or after 9 October 2004;
 - (ii) the person declares in writing to the Clerk of the relevant House of Parliament that the person intends to seek employment;
 - (iii) the person is covered by subsection (4), (5) or (6).

Allowance—State senators

- (2) If the person was a senator for a State immediately before becoming a former member, the person is to be paid an allowance equal to:
- (a) if, when the person became a former member, the person had been a senator for a continuous period of more than 3 years—6 months of the base salary at that time; or
 - (b) otherwise—3 months of the base salary when the person became a former member.

Allowance—Territory senators and members of the House of Representatives

- (3) If the person was a senator for a Territory, or a member of the House of Representatives, immediately before becoming a former member, the person is to be paid an allowance equal to:
- (a) if, when the person became a former member, the person had been a senator for a continuous period of more than one term—6 months of the base salary at that time; or
 - (b) if, when the person became a former member, the person had been a member of the House of Representatives for a continuous period of more than one term—6 months of the base salary at that time; or
 - (c) otherwise—3 months of the base salary when the person became a former member.

Eligibility—persons nominating but not elected or re-elected

- (4) A person is covered by this subsection if:
- (a) either:
 - (i) the person nominated for election to a different House of Parliament; or
 - (ii) the person nominated for re-election to the same House of Parliament (for this purpose, it does not matter whether or not the person sought re-election for the same electoral division or State); and

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- (b) the person was not elected or re-elected, as the case may be.

Eligibility—persons not endorsed by party and not nominating for re-election

- (5) A person is covered by this subsection if:
 - (a) the person was a member of a political party; and
 - (b) the person sought to receive the endorsement of that party for re-election; and
 - (c) the person failed to receive that endorsement for reasons other than misconduct; and
 - (d) the person did not nominate for re-election.

Eligibility—persons affected by electoral redistribution

- (6) A person is covered by this subsection if:
 - (a) the person was a member of the House of Representatives for an electoral division that ceased to exist because of an electoral redistribution; and
 - (b) the person did not contest the election immediately following the relevant redistribution.

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Part 4—Allowances for the estates of persons who die while a member

22 Deceased member allowance

- (1) For the purposes of subsection 15(2) of the Act, the estate of a person who dies while the person is a member is to be paid the allowance worked out in accordance with the following formula:

$$\frac{(A \times B)}{26}$$

where:

A is the base salary at the start of the day the person died.

B is:

- (a) 13; or
 - (b) if the number of years, rounded down to the nearest whole year, in the period between the most recent day on which the person became a member of a relevant Parliament for the person and the day on which the person died is less than 13—that number of years.
- (2) A Parliament is a **relevant Parliament**, for a person, if the person:
- (a) is a member of the Parliament; and
 - (b) was not a member of the previous Parliament.

Part 5—Domestic travel

Division 1—Australian travel allowance

23 General

- (1) For the purposes of subsection 31(2) of the Act, this Division determines the rates at which the allowance that is prescribed by section 10 of the Regulations are payable.

Note 1: Section 10 of the Regulations prescribes an allowance for accommodation, meals and incidental expenses for each night a member stays in accommodation in Australia that is not the member's home base (subject to a limit in that section). In the Regulations, that allowance is called *Australian travel allowance*.

Note 2: For international travel, allowances (if any) are payable at the rates prescribed by the Regulations.

- (2) For the purposes of this Division, if a member stays in accommodation, the accommodation is taken to be non-commercial accommodation unless:
- (a) the member produces to the Administrator a receipt showing that the accommodation is commercial accommodation; or
 - (b) the member:
 - (i) certifies that the member can produce a receipt showing that the accommodation is commercial accommodation; and
 - (ii) produces such a receipt upon the Administrator's request; or
 - (c) the accommodation is in Canberra.
- (3) For the purposes of this Division, accommodation in Canberra is taken to be commercial accommodation.

24 Rate of allowance when staying in commercial accommodation

- (1) If the Prime Minister or Acting Prime Minister stays in commercial accommodation, the rate is \$652 per night.
- (2) If a member (other than the Prime Minister or Acting Prime Minister) stays in commercial accommodation at a location specified in column 1 of the table, the rate is:
- (a) if the member is a Minister or the holder of an office specified in subsection (4)—the amount specified in column 2 of the item per night; or
 - (b) otherwise—the amount specified in column 3 of the item per night.
- (3) If a member (other than the Prime Minister or Acting Prime Minister) stays in commercial accommodation at a location that is not specified in column 1 of the table, the rate is:
- (a) if the member is a Minister or the holder of an office specified in subsection (4)—\$435 per night; or
 - (b) otherwise—\$369 per night.
- (4) The following offices are specified:

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- (a) Leader or Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives or the Senate;
- (b) Speaker or Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives;
- (c) President, or Deputy President and Chair of Committees, of the Senate;
- (d) Chief Government Whip or Chief Opposition Whip in the House of Representatives or the Senate;
- (e) leader of the third largest party in the House of Representatives;
- (f) leader of a minority party.

(5) This section has effect subject to sections 25 and 26.

Rate of allowance when staying in commercial accommodation			
Item	Column 1 Location	Column 2 Ministers etc.	Column 3 Other members
Capital Cities			
1	Canberra	\$349	\$349
2	Adelaide	\$439	\$420
3	Brisbane	\$485	\$466
4	Darwin	\$521	\$502
5	Hobart	\$463	\$444
6	Melbourne	\$493	\$442
7	Perth	\$493	\$454
8	Sydney	\$535	\$516
New South Wales			
9	Albury	\$435	\$416
10	Armidale	\$435	\$375
11	Bathurst	\$435	\$416
12	Bega	\$435	\$416
13	Bourke	\$435	\$398
14	Broken Hill	\$435	\$377
15	Cobar	\$435	\$416
16	Coffs Harbour	\$435	\$416
17	Cooma	\$435	\$416
18	Cowra	\$435	\$416
19	Dubbo	\$435	\$382
20	Goulburn	\$435	\$374
21	Gosford	\$435	\$370
22	Grafton	\$435	\$388
23	Griffith	\$435	\$374
24	Gunnedah	\$435	\$395
25	Inverell	\$435	\$416
26	Lismore	\$435	\$399
27	Maitland	\$435	\$396
28	Mudgee	\$441	\$422

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Item	Column 1 Location	Column 2 Ministers etc.	Column 3 Other members
29	Muswellbrook	\$435	\$375
30	Narrabri	\$435	\$416
31	Newcastle	\$435	\$404
32	Nowra	\$435	\$377
33	Orange	\$450	\$431
34	Port Macquarie	\$435	\$399
35	Tamworth	\$435	\$416
36	Taree	\$435	\$416
37	Tumut	\$435	\$416
38	Wagga Wagga	\$435	\$387
39	Wollongong	\$435	\$397
Northern Territory			
40	Alice Springs	\$435	\$415
41	Jabiru	\$444	\$425
42	Katherine	\$458	\$439
43	Nhulunbuy	\$506	\$487
44	Tennant Creek	\$435	\$416
45	Yulara	\$798	\$779
Queensland			
46	Ayr	\$435	\$416
47	Bundaberg	\$435	\$393
48	Cairns	\$435	\$384
49	Charters Towers	\$435	\$377
50	Chinchilla	\$435	\$416
51	Dalby	\$435	\$410
52	Emerald	\$435	\$391
53	Gladstone	\$435	\$380
54	Gold Coast	\$462	\$443
55	Hervey Bay	\$435	\$384
56	Horn Island	\$573	\$554
57	Innisfail	\$435	\$416
58	Kingaroy	\$435	\$389
59	Mackay	\$435	\$375
60	Maryborough	\$435	\$416
61	Mount Isa	\$435	\$397
62	Nambour	\$435	\$377
63	Rockhampton	\$435	\$383
64	Roma	\$435	\$397
65	Thursday Island	\$551	\$532

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Rate of allowance when staying in commercial accommodation			
Item	Column 1 Location	Column 2 Ministers etc.	Column 3 Other members
66	Toowoomba	\$435	\$370
67	Townsville	\$435	\$383
68	Weipa	\$466	\$447
South Australia			
69	Bordertown	\$435	\$374
70	Ceduna	\$435	\$365
71	Kadina	\$435	\$416
72	Mount Gambier	\$435	\$373
73	Naracoorte	\$435	\$416
74	Port Augusta	\$435	\$416
75	Port Lincoln	\$435	\$379
76	Port Pirie	\$435	\$416
77	Renmark	\$435	\$416
78	Whyalla	\$435	\$379
79	Wilpena Pound	\$509	\$490
Tasmania			
80	Burnie	\$435	\$390
81	Devonport	\$435	\$379
82	Launceston	\$435	\$383
83	Queenstown	\$435	\$416
Victoria			
84	Ararat	\$435	\$368
85	Bairnsdale	\$435	\$391
86	Ballarat	\$435	\$396
87	Benalla	\$435	\$377
88	Bendigo	\$435	\$386
89	Bright	\$435	\$389
90	Castlemaine	\$435	\$371
91	Colac	\$435	\$416
92	Echuca	\$435	\$416
93	Geelong	\$435	\$384
94	Hamilton	\$435	\$379
95	Horsham	\$435	\$382
96	Mildura	\$435	\$386
97	Portland	\$435	\$379
98	Sale	\$435	\$416
99	Seymour	\$435	\$380
100	Shepparton	\$435	\$381
101	Swan Hill	\$435	\$390

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Rate of allowance when staying in commercial accommodation			
Item	Column 1 Location	Column 2 Ministers etc.	Column 3 Other members
102	Wangaratta	\$435	\$395
103	Warrnambool	\$435	\$391
104	Wodonga	\$435	\$416
105	Wonthaggi	\$435	\$397
Western Australia			
106	Albany	\$435	\$402
107	Broome	\$497	\$478
108	Bunbury	\$435	\$393
109	Carnarvon	\$435	\$392
110	Dampier	\$438	\$419
111	Derby	\$435	\$401
112	Esperance	\$435	\$392
113	Exmouth	\$475	\$456
114	Geraldton	\$435	\$410
115	Halls Creek	\$443	\$424
116	Kalgoorlie	\$435	\$402
117	Karratha	\$532	\$513
118	Kununurra	\$462	\$443
119	Newman	\$505	\$486
120	Northam	\$460	\$441
121	Port Hedland	\$509	\$490
External Territories			
122	Christmas Island	\$449	\$430
123	Cocos (Keeling) Islands	\$559	\$540
124	Norfolk Island	\$484	\$465

25 Rate of allowance when staying in certain accommodation paid for by Commonwealth

- (1) If a Minister stays in commercial accommodation that is paid for by the Commonwealth, the rate is:
 - (a) \$228 for each night of the stay where the costs of the Minister's meals and incidental expenses exceed \$228; or
 - (b) an amount equal to the costs of the Minister's meals and incidental expenses for each night of the stay where those costs do not exceed \$228.
- (2) If a member (other than a Minister) stays in commercial accommodation that is paid for by the Commonwealth, the rate is one third of the rate that would apply in relation to the stay under section 24 if section 26 did not apply.

Note: Accommodation in Canberra is taken to be commercial accommodation (see subsection 23(3)).

Section 26

26 Rate of allowance when staying in accessible accommodation

- (1) This section applies if:
- (a) a member self-identifies as having a physical limitation or impairment that requires the provision of accessible accommodation arrangements; and
 - (b) while the member so self-identifies, the member stays in commercial accommodation for a night; and
 - (c) the cost of the night's accommodation is greater than the base accommodation rate for the night and the member.

Note: Accommodation in Canberra is taken to be commercial accommodation (see subsection 23(3)).

- (2) The **base accommodation rate**, for a night and a member, is the rate that would apply in relation to the night under section 24 if this section did not apply minus:
- (a) if the member is specified in subsection (4)—\$228; or
 - (b) otherwise—\$209.
- (3) The rate for the night is the sum of:
- (a) the rate that would apply in relation to the night under section 24 if this section did not apply; and
 - (b) the difference between the cost of the night's accommodation and the base accommodation rate for the night and the member.
- (4) The following members are specified:
- (a) a Minister;
 - (b) Leader or Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives or the Senate;
 - (c) Speaker or Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives;
 - (d) President, or Deputy President and Chair of Committees, of the Senate;
 - (e) Chief Government Whip or Chief Opposition Whip in the House of Representatives or the Senate;
 - (f) leader of the third largest party in the House of Representatives;
 - (g) leader of a minority party.

27 Rate of allowance when staying in non-commercial accommodation

If a member stays in non-commercial accommodation, the rate is one third of the rate that would apply in relation to the stay under section 24 if the accommodation were commercial accommodation and section 26 did not apply.

Note: Accommodation in Canberra is taken to be commercial accommodation (see subsection 23(3)).

Division 2—Travel by private vehicle

28 Private vehicle allowance

For the purposes of subsection 31(2) of the Act, the rate at which an allowance prescribed by section 12 or 27 of the Regulations is payable is 91 cents per kilometre.

Part 6—Superannuation

29 Excluded portion of base salary

For the purposes of paragraph 45(3)(a) of the Act, the portion of base salary that is not ***parliamentary allowance*** for the purposes of the *Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Act 1948* is \$49,970.

30 Excluded portion of office holder's salary

For the purposes of paragraph 45(3)(b) of the Act, the portion of office holder's salary that is not ***allowance by way of salary*** for the purposes of the *Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Act 1948* is 20%.

31 Excluded portion of Ministerial salary

For the purposes of subsection 45(5) of the Act, the portion of Ministerial salary that is not ***salary*** for the purposes of the *Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Act 1948* is 20%.

Note: Ministerial salary is payable under section 66 of the Constitution.

Part 7—Application and transitional provisions

32 Application and transitional provisions

- (1) Section 9 (office holder's salary) applies in relation to the office of Manager of minority party Business in the Senate on and after 26 June 2026.
- (2) Section 9 (office holder's salary) applies in relation to the following offices on and after 2 July 2026:
 - (a) Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and Trade;
 - (b) Deputy Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Schedule 1—Repeals

Remuneration Tribunal (Members of Parliament) Determination 2024

1 The whole of the instrument

Repeal the instrument.