

1 S.39

2 Representative Harrison of Chittenden moves that the House propose to the
3 Senate that the bill be amended as follows:

4 First: By adding a new section to be Sec. 3a to read as follows:

5 Sec. 3a. 32 V.S.A. § 1051(b)(3) is amended to read:

6 (3) ~~an allowance for or~~ reimbursement of expenses for mileage, meals,
7 and lodging as provided to members of the General Assembly under subsection
8 1052(b) of this title during the biennial, adjourned, and special sessions of the
9 General Assembly and in addition such other actual and necessary expenses
10 incurred while engaged in duties imposed by law.

11 Second: By adding a new section to be Sec. 4a to read as follows:

12 Sec. 4a. 32 V.S.A. § 1052(b) is amended to read:

13 (b) Expenses. During any session of the General Assembly, each member
14 is entitled to ~~receive an allowance for or~~ reimbursement of expenses as set
15 forth in this subsection.

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17 (2) Meals. Each member shall receive ~~either a meals allowance or~~
18 ~~reimbursement of actual meals expenses. A member shall be presumed to have~~
19 ~~elected to receive the meals allowance unless the member informs the Office~~
20 ~~of Legislative Operations prior to the convening of the regular or adjourned~~
21 ~~session that the member wishes to receive reimbursement of actual meals~~

1 ~~expenses. A member's election to receive reimbursement of actual meals~~
2 ~~expenses shall remain in effect through the remainder of that session unless the~~
3 ~~member notifies the Office, in writing, that the member needs to change to the~~
4 ~~meals allowance due to a change in circumstances or for another compelling~~
5 ~~reason.~~

6 ~~(A) Meals allowance. A member who elects to receive a meals~~
7 ~~allowance shall receive an amount equal to the daily amount for meals~~
8 ~~determined for Montpelier, Vermont, by the federal Office of Government-~~
9 ~~wide Policy and published in the Federal Register for the year of the session~~
10 ~~for each day the House in which the member serves shall sit.~~

11 ~~(B) Meals reimbursement. A member who elects to receive~~
12 ~~reimbursement of expenses shall receive reimbursement equal to the actual~~
13 ~~amounts expended by the member for meals for each day that the House in~~
14 ~~which the member serves shall sit, as well as meals for the night preceding the~~
15 ~~first legislative day of each week during the legislative session; provided,~~
16 ~~however, that the total amount of the weekly reimbursement available pursuant~~
17 ~~to this subdivision shall not exceed the amount the member would have~~
18 ~~received for the same week if the member had elected the meals allowance~~
19 ~~pursuant to subdivision (A) of this subdivision (2) an amount equal to the daily~~
20 ~~amount for meals determined for Montpelier, Vermont, by the federal Office of~~
21 ~~Government-wide Policy and published in the Federal Register for the year of~~

1 the session, multiplied by the number of days during that the week on which
2 the House in which the member serves shall sit. The member shall provide
3 meal receipts or otherwise substantiate the amounts expended to the Office of
4 Legislative Operations in the form and manner prescribed by the Director of
5 Legislative Operations.

6 (3) Lodging. Each member shall receive ~~either a lodging allowance or~~
7 ~~reimbursement of actual lodging expenses. A member shall be presumed to~~
8 ~~have elected to receive the lodging allowance unless the member informs the~~
9 ~~Office of Legislative Operations prior to the convening of the regular or~~
10 ~~adjourned session that the member wishes to receive reimbursement of actual~~
11 ~~lodging expenses. A member's election to receive reimbursement of actual~~
12 ~~lodging expenses shall remain in effect through the remainder of that session~~
13 ~~unless the member notifies the Office, in writing, that the member needs to~~
14 ~~change to the lodging allowance due to a change in circumstances or for~~
15 ~~another compelling reason.~~

16 (A) ~~Lodging allowance. A member who elects to receive a lodging~~
17 ~~allowance shall receive an amount equal to the daily amount for lodging~~
18 ~~determined for Montpelier, Vermont, by the federal Office of Government-~~
19 ~~wide Policy and published in the Federal Register for the year of the session~~
20 ~~for each day the House in which the member serves shall sit.~~

21 (B) ~~Lodging reimbursement. A member who elects to receive~~

1 ~~reimbursement of expenses shall receive~~ reimbursement equal to the actual
2 amounts expended by the member for lodging for each day that the House in
3 which the member serves shall sit, as well as lodging for the night preceding
4 the first legislative day of each week during the legislative session; provided,
5 however, that the total amount of the weekly reimbursement available pursuant
6 to this subdivision for each week shall not exceed ~~the amount the member~~
7 ~~would have received for the same week if the member had elected the lodging~~
8 ~~allowance pursuant to subdivision (A) of this subdivision (3)~~ an amount equal
9 to the daily amount for lodging determined for Montpelier, Vermont, by the
10 federal Office of Government-wide Policy and published in the Federal
11 Register for the year of the session, multiplied by the number of days during
12 that the week on which the House in which the member serves shall sit. The
13 member shall provide lodging receipts or otherwise substantiate the amounts
14 expended to the Office of Legislative Operations in the form and manner
15 prescribed by the Director of Legislative Operations.

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