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**CHAPTER 134**

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND COUNCIL  
OF MINISTERS  
(REMUNERATION AND PRIVILEGES)**

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**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND COUNCIL  
OF MINISTERS  
(REMUNERATION AND PRIVILEGES) ACT**

**An Act to provide for the remuneration and privileges of  
the Legislative Council and Ministers and Assistant  
Ministers**

4 of 1966<sup>E</sup>  
S.42/78  
5 of 1981

*Commencement: 30th January 1965*

1. This Act may be cited as the Legislative Council and Council of Ministers (Remuneration and Privileges) Act. Short title

2. (1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires — Interpreta-  
tion

“Member” means an ex-officio Member, an Official Member or a Nominated Member as the case may be, of the Legislative Council or the Council of Ministers and includes the Speaker;

“specified duty” means a meeting of the Legislative Council or any Committee thereof or a meeting of the Council of Ministers or any committee thereof and includes such other meetings or duties as may be specified, from time to time by His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan in Council.

(2) Where there is any doubts as to the interpretation or construction of this Act, the question shall be referred to His Majesty in Council whose decision thereon shall be final.

3. (1) The remuneration of the Speaker shall consist of a monthly salary of \$5,200 together with the allowances and privileges specified in the Schedule hereto. Remunera-  
tion

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(2) The remuneration of a Member other than the Speaker shall consist of a monthly salary of \$900 together with the allowances and privileges specified in the Schedule hereto.

(3) The remuneration of a Member of the Legislative Council, other than an *ex-officio* Member, who has been appointed as a Minister shall consist of a monthly salary of \$2,400 together with the allowances and privileges specified in the Schedule hereto.

(4) The remuneration of a Member of the Legislative Council who has been appointed as an Assistant Minister shall consist of a monthly salary of \$1,750 together with the allowances and privileges specified in the Schedule hereto.

Commence-  
ment etc.

4. (1) The remuneration payable under the provisions of section 3 shall —

(a) commence from the date of appointment or election, whichever is the case;

(b) accrue from day to day; and

(c) be payable on the last day of each month or such other day as the Minister may from time to time determine.

(2) On being appointed Speaker or Minister or Assistant Minister, a Member of the Legislative Council shall cease to be entitled to the monthly allowance payable under subsection (2) of section 3.

Payment out  
of Consoli-  
dated Fund

5. The moneys required for the remunerations payable under this Act shall be provided by the Legislative Council and paid out of the Consolidated Fund.

Amendment  
of Schedule

6. His Majesty in Council may by Order published in the *Gazette* add to or amend the Schedule to this Act.

**SCHEDULE**

(Section 3)

**Allowances and privileges of Nominated and Elected Members**

1. Correspondence:

Members of the Legislative Council are authorised to transmit free of charge all correspondence on Government business. The correspondence should be enclosed in envelopes marked "ON GOVERNMENT SERVICE" and the bottom left hand corner of the envelopes shall be signed by the Member sending the letter over a "chop" "MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, BRUNEI." The privilege will cover correspondence within Brunei only and it will not include the right to frank registered articles or airmail correspondence.

When an article, airmail, correspondence or any telegram is required to be sent or a trunk call has to be made by a Member on Government business, the cost incurred thereby may be recovered.

2. Government publications:

A Member shall be supplied, free of charge, with copies of Government Gazettes, Enactments, Reports and other Government publications.

3. Motor vehicle licence:

A Member shall be entitled to an exemption from any annual licence fee payable under the Road Traffic Regulations in respect of one car registered in the Member's name during the tenure of office.

4. Loans to purchase motor vehicle etc.:

A Member may, at the discretion of the Minister, be granted a loan of not exceeding the amount which may be advanced to Division I Officers of the Public Service of Brunei to cover the cost of a motor car, motor cycle or outboard motor upon the Member giving adequate security and written undertaking, subject to such terms and conditions as may be required by the Minister, that the said loan will be repaid in full before the normal expiry of the Member's tenure of office.

5. Mileage Allowance:

A Member may draw mileage allowance at the same rates and subject to the same conditions as an officer in Division I of the Public Service of Brunei for journeys connected with a specified duty;

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Provided that a Member who does not use or own his own car or boat may claim reimbursement of the actual travelling expenses incurred by him in connection with that journey.

6. Allowance for travelling outside Brunei:

A Member required by the Government to travel outside Brunei on Government business may be paid a subsistence allowance of \$150 per day or such amount per day as may from time to time be prescribed by Government Circular to cover board and out-of-pocket expenses but not including fares and lodging expenses which will be paid by the Government.

7. Travelling outside Brunei:

A Member required to travel outside Brunei on Government business by sea or air may with the approval of the Minister or an officer authorised by him in that regard, be granted a travel warrant and the cost of such travel shall be paid by the Government.

8. Motor vehicle badges:

A Member using his own motor vehicle or a motor vehicle placed at his disposal for his use may carry on such vehicle a distinctive badge or badges in such form as may from time to time be authorised by His Majesty.

9. Medical facilities:

A Member, his wife, children and parents (including parent-in-law) shall be entitled to free medical and dental treatments including specialist treatment and to admission to first-class ward, or, in default of any such eligibility, to reimbursement of any sum expended by him or such treatment.

10. Telephone:

(1) Members are each entitled to have a telephone installed free of charge at their usual place of residence. The Controller of Telecommunications will make arrangements to install the telephone provided such installation is practicable.

(2) A Member who uses a telephone at his normal place of residence may recover from the Government the charges for telephone rentals (but excluding trunk call charges) for the telephone during his tenure of office as a Member:

Provided that a Member who is enjoying the use of a telephone free of charge by virtue of any other Government appointment may not be granted this privilege.

11. Subsistence allowance:

A Member other than the Speaker, a Minister or an Assistant Minister may be paid subsistence allowance at the rate following for performing a specified duty inside Brunei:

Rate of subsistence allowance

(1) For each 24 hours .....	\$55.00
(2) For part of 24 hours (if the Member has to sleep away from his usual place of residence .....	\$30.00
(3) For part of 24 hours (if the Member does not have to sleep away from his usual place of residence .....	\$25.00

The Speaker, Ministers or Assistant Ministers will be entitled to subsistence allowance at the same rates and subject to the same conditions as an officer in Division I of the Public Service of Brunei.

12. Resthouse and Holiday Bungalows:

A Member shall be entitled to the same privileges in respect of Government Resthouse and Holiday Bungalows as accorded to Division I officers of the Public Service of Brunei.

13. Priorities:

A Member shall be entitled to the same priorities in respect of all public utilities and services as are accorded to Division I officers of the Public Service of Brunei.

14. Honorific:

A Member shall be entitled to the appellation of "The Honourable" preceding his name.

