

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 161

2022 Regular Session

Lyons

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS: Provides for the vouchered office expense allowance for members of the legislature

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Make technical change.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law (R.S. 24:31.4) provides to each member of the legislature an office allowance of up to \$500 each month in vouchered expenses for such items as rent for office space in a parish or parishes which he represents, utilities, telephone, office supplies, and other expenses related to the holding and conducting of legislative office. Requires a member to submit appropriate invoices or receipts in order to have those expenses paid or reimbursed from these funds each month, with the payment in any month not exceeding \$500. Present law prohibits payments for office space located in a legislator's residence or for any office space which is located in property owned wholly or in part by the legislator or a member of his family.

Proposed law increases the office allowance to \$1,000 each month and otherwise retains present law.

Effective July 1, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 24:31.4(A) and (C))