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**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senator Martiny to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 672 by Senator Duplessis

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**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 1, line 2, after "507(B)" insert "and to enact R.S. 24:30"

**AMENDMENT NO. 2**

On page 1, line 3, after "per diem;" insert "to provide for legislative findings;"

**AMENDMENT NO. 3**

On page 1, line 15, after "reenacted" insert "and R.S. 24:30 is hereby enacted"

**AMENDMENT NO. 4**

On page 1, between lines 15 and 16 insert the following:

**"§ 30. Legislative findings****A. The legislature finds that:**

**(1) Its approach with respect to legislative pay raises has obviously been incorrect.**

**(2) The official journals of the state have perfected their approach in increasing their rates for conducting official state business, and the legislature should adopt this same approach.**

**(3) The official journals of the state go through a complex process involving the public bid laws to obtain the rates they charge for conducting the official business of the state, and it is obvious that the legislature should employ these same complex procedures.**

**B. (1) It is the intent of the legislature to have the salary of each member of the legislature perpetually set at sixteen thousand eight hundred dollars and not one penny more.**

**(2) It is further the intent of the legislature that each member of the Senate and House of Representatives may charge a fee of seven hundred and twenty-one dollars for each legislative instrument he is asked to introduce on behalf of a constituent. This fee is equivalent to the amount currently charged by the official journal of Orleans Parish to run an obituary in said journal for a period of two days. This fee shall be fixed until July 1, 2010, and after such time, the fee shall be increased in the amount equal to any increase charged by the official journal of Orleans Parish to run an obituary. The members of the Senate may charge an additional fee to ensure that their bills are printed on specially colored paper.**

**(3) It is further the intent of the legislature to allow any district which objects to the fee charged for the introduction of legislative instruments to conduct a local option election and opt out of the fee upon petition of three hundred registered voters in that district, provided that each person participating in the election shall submit in writing proof that they have been employed in the same position for a period in excess of twenty years and have not received increases in salary for performing their job for that twenty year period because "they knew what the job paid when they took it."**