

LEGISLATIVE BILL 817

Passed over the Governor's veto April 13, 2006.

Introduced by Chambers, 11; Schimek, 27

AN ACT relating to state constitutional officers; to amend section 75-104, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 84-101.01, 84-201.01, and 84-721, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2004; to change the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer, Attorney General, and members of the Public Service Commission; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 75-104, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

75-104 ~~Until January 9, 2003, the salary of each commissioner shall be forty-two thousand dollars. Commencing January 9, 2003~~ (1) Until January 4, 2007, the annual salary of each commissioner shall be fifty thousand dollars. Commencing January 4, 2007, the annual salary of each commissioner shall be seventy-five thousand dollars.

(2) Each commissioner shall be entitled to receive from the state his or her mileage expenses incurred while traveling in the line of duty to and from his or her residence to the office of the Public Service Commission in Lincoln pursuant to the following conditions:

~~(1)~~ (a) The Public Service Commission has adopted and promulgated rules and regulations establishing guidelines for allowable reimbursement of such mileage expenses, except that such mileage rate shall not exceed the mileage rate established by the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to section 81-1176;

~~(2)~~ (b) The request for such reimbursement falls within such guidelines; and

~~(3)~~ (c) The total amounts authorized for such reimbursement of mileage expenses in any fiscal year does not cause the total expenses to exceed the total funds appropriated to the program established for commissioners' expenses. In addition thereto, the commissioners, executive director, clerks, and other employees of the commission shall be entitled to receive from the state their actual necessary traveling expenses, including the cost of transportation while traveling on the business of the commission, to be paid in the same manner as other requests for payment or reimbursement from the state. In computing the cost of transportation for the commissioners, executive director, clerks, and other employees, no mileage or other traveling expense shall be requested or allowed unless sections 81-1174 to 81-1177 are strictly complied with.

Sec. 2. Section 84-101.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2004, is amended to read:

84-101.01 ~~Until January 9, 2003, the Governor shall receive an annual salary of sixty-five thousand dollars. Commencing January 9, 2003~~ Until January 4, 2007, the annual salary of the Governor shall be eighty-five thousand dollars. Commencing January 4, 2007, the annual salary of the Governor shall be one hundred five thousand dollars. Such salary shall be payable in equal monthly installments.

Sec. 3. Section 84-201.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2004, is amended to read:

84-201.01 ~~Until January 9, 2003, the Attorney General shall receive an annual salary of sixty-four thousand five hundred dollars. Commencing January 9, 2003~~ Until January 4, 2007, the annual salary of the Attorney General shall be seventy-five thousand dollars. Commencing January 4, 2007, the annual salary of the Attorney General shall be ninety-five thousand dollars. The salary of the Attorney General shall be payable in equal monthly installments.

Sec. 4. Section 84-721, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2004, is amended to read:

84-721 ~~Until January 9, 2003, there shall be paid as salaries to certain constitutional officers as follows: Secretary of State, the sum of fifty-two thousand dollars per year; Auditor of Public Accounts, the sum of forty-nine thousand five hundred dollars per year; State Treasurer, the sum of forty-nine thousand five hundred dollars per year; and Lieutenant Governor, the sum of forty-seven thousand dollars per year. Commencing January 9, 2003~~ Until January 4, 2007, there shall be paid as salaries to certain constitutional officers as follows: Secretary of State, the sum of

sixty-five thousand dollars per year; Auditor of Public Accounts, the sum of sixty thousand dollars per year; State Treasurer, the sum of sixty thousand dollars per year; and Lieutenant Governor, the sum of sixty thousand dollars per year. Commencing January 4, 2007, there shall be paid as salaries to certain constitutional officers as follows: Secretary of State, the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars per year; Auditor of Public Accounts, the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars per year; State Treasurer, the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars per year; and Lieutenant Governor, the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars per year. Such salaries shall be payable in equal monthly installments.

Sec. 5. Original section 75-104, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 84-101.01, 84-201.01, and 84-721, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2004, are repealed.