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To amend section 101.27 of the Revised Code to	1
eliminate mileage reimbursement for legislators	2
who use electric charging facilities in	3
designated Capitol Square parking facilities and	4
to name this act the Fairness in Mileage	5
Reimbursement Act.	6

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

<b>Section 1.</b> That section 101.27 of the Revised Code be	7
amended to read as follows:	8

<b>Sec. 101.27.</b> (A) (1) Every member of the senate, except the	9
members elected president, president pro tempore, assistant	10
president pro tempore, majority whip, minority leader, assistant	11
minority leader, minority whip, and assistant minority whip,	12
shall receive as compensation a salary of sixty-three thousand	13
seven dollars a year during the senator's term of office. Every	14
member of the house of representatives, except the members	15
elected speaker, speaker pro tempore, assistant speaker pro	16
tempore, majority floor leader, assistant majority floor leader,	17
majority whip, minority leader, assistant minority leader,	18
minority whip, and assistant minority whip, shall receive as	19
compensation a salary of sixty-three thousand seven dollars a	20
year during the representative's term of office. Such salaries	21

shall be paid in equal monthly installments during such term. 22  
All monthly payments shall be made on or before the fifth day of 23  
each month. Upon the death of any member of the general assembly 24  
during the member's term of office, any unpaid salary due such 25  
member for the remainder of the member's term shall be paid to 26  
the member's surviving spouse, children, mother, or father, in 27  
the order in which the relationship is set forth in this section 28  
in monthly installments. 29

~~(2) Each~~ (2) (a) Except as provided in division (A) (2) (b) 30  
of this section, each member shall receive a travel 31  
reimbursement per mile each way, at the same mileage rate 32  
allowed for the reimbursement of travel expenses of state agents 33  
as provided by rule of the director of budget and management 34  
pursuant to division (B) of section 126.31 of the Revised Code, 35  
for mileage not more than once a week during the session for 36  
travel incurred by a member from and to the member's place of 37  
residence, by the most direct highway route of public travel to 38  
and from the seat of government, to be paid quarterly on the 39  
last day of March, June, September, and December of each year. 40

(b) A member shall not seek reimbursement under division 41  
(A) (2) (a) of this section for any week during which the member 42  
charges the member's plug-in hybrid electric motor vehicle or 43  
battery electric motor vehicle, as those terms are defined in 44  
section 4501.01 of the Revised Code, using a vehicle charging 45  
station in a parking facility affiliated with the Vern Riffe 46  
center for government and the arts or the Ohio statehouse, both 47  
in Columbus. 48

(3) The member of the senate elected president and the 49  
member of the house of representatives elected speaker shall 50  
each receive as compensation a salary of ninety-eight thousand 51

two hundred fourteen dollars a year during the president's or 52  
speaker's term of office. 53

The member of the senate elected president pro tempore, 54  
the member of the senate elected minority leader, the member of 55  
the house of representatives elected speaker pro tempore, and 56  
the member of the house of representatives elected minority 57  
leader shall each receive as compensation a salary of eighty- 58  
nine thousand six hundred twelve dollars a year during the 59  
member's term of office. 60

The member of the house of representatives elected 61  
majority floor leader and the member of the senate elected 62  
assistant president pro tempore shall each receive as 63  
compensation a salary of eighty-four thousand four hundred ten 64  
dollars a year during the member's term of office. 65

The member of the senate elected assistant minority leader 66  
and the member of the house of representatives elected assistant 67  
minority leader shall each receive as compensation a salary of 68  
eighty-one thousand eight hundred fifteen dollars a year during 69  
the member's term of office. 70

The member of the senate elected majority whip and the 71  
member of the house of representatives elected assistant 72  
majority floor leader shall each receive a salary of seventy- 73  
nine thousand two hundred sixteen dollars a year during the 74  
member's term of office. 75

The member of the senate elected minority whip, the member 76  
or members of the house of representatives elected majority 77  
whip, and the member of the house of representatives elected 78  
minority whip shall each receive as compensation a salary of 79  
seventy-four thousand twenty dollars a year during the member's 80

term of office. 81

The member of the house of representatives elected 82  
assistant minority whip and the member of the senate elected 83  
assistant minority whip shall each receive a salary of sixty- 84  
five thousand nine hundred sixteen dollars a year during the 85  
member's term of office. 86

(4) The member of the house of representatives elected 87  
assistant speaker pro tempore shall receive a salary of ninety- 88  
nine thousand nine hundred three dollars and ninety cents a year 89  
during the member's term of office. 90

(5) The chairperson of the finance committee of each house 91  
shall receive an additional sum of thirteen thousand five 92  
hundred dollars annually. The chairperson of each standing 93  
committee of each house other than the finance committee shall 94  
receive an additional sum of nine thousand dollars annually. The 95  
chairperson of each standing subcommittee of a finance committee 96  
shall receive an additional sum of nine thousand dollars 97  
annually. The vice-chairperson of the finance committee of each 98  
house shall receive an additional sum of seven thousand five 99  
hundred dollars annually. The ranking minority member of the 100  
finance committee of each house shall receive an additional sum 101  
of nine thousand dollars annually. The ranking minority member 102  
of each standing subcommittee of a finance committee shall 103  
receive an additional sum of six thousand seven hundred fifty 104  
dollars annually. The chairperson of each standing subcommittee 105  
of each house other than a standing subcommittee of the finance 106  
committee shall receive an additional sum of six thousand seven 107  
hundred fifty dollars annually. The vice-chairperson and ranking 108  
minority member of each standing committee of each house other 109  
than the finance committee shall each receive an additional sum 110

of six thousand seven hundred fifty dollars annually. Except for 111  
the ranking minority member of each standing subcommittee of a 112  
finance committee, the ranking minority member of each standing 113  
subcommittee of each house shall receive an additional sum of 114  
three thousand two hundred fifty dollars annually. 115

No member may receive more than one additional sum for 116  
serving as chairperson, vice-chairperson, or ranking minority 117  
member of a standing committee or standing subcommittee, 118  
regardless of the number of standing committees or standing 119  
subcommittees on which the member serves as chairperson, vice- 120  
chairperson, or ranking minority member. 121

(6) If a member is absent without leave, or is not excused 122  
on the member's return, there shall be deducted from the 123  
member's compensation twenty dollars for each day's absence. 124

(B) (1) The salary amounts under divisions (A) (1) and (3) 125  
of this section are for calendar year 2019. The salary amount 126  
under division (A) (4) of this section is for calendar year 2025. 127

(2) Each calendar year from 2020 through 2028 the salary 128  
amounts under divisions (A) (1) and (3) of this section, and each 129  
calendar year from 2026 through 2028 the salary amount under 130  
division (A) (4) of this section, shall be increased as follows: 131

(a) In calendar year 2020, by four per cent; 132

(b) In calendar year 2021, by three per cent; 133

(c) In calendar year 2022, by one and three-quarters per 134  
cent; 135

(d) In calendar year 2023, by one and three-quarters per 136  
cent; 137

(e) In calendar year 2024, by one and three-quarters per 138

cent;	139
(f) In calendar year 2025, by one and three-quarters per	140
cent;	141
(g) In calendar year 2026, by one and three-quarters per	142
cent;	143
(h) In calendar year 2027, by one and three-quarters per	144
cent;	145
(i) In calendar year 2028, by one and three-quarters per	146
cent.	147
(C) As used in this section, "finance committee" means the	148
finance committee of the senate and the finance committee of the	149
house of representatives.	150
<b>Section 2.</b> That existing section 101.27 of the Revised	151
Code is hereby repealed.	152
<b>Section 3.</b> This act shall be known as the Fairness in	153
Mileage Reimbursement Act.	154