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LLS NO. 17-1091.01 Gregg Fraser x4325

**HOUSE BILL 17-1297**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING MEETINGS FOR WHICH A SPECIAL DISTRICT DIRECTOR**  
102 **MAY BE COMPENSATED FOR ATTENDING.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

Current law caps the compensation that a special district board member may receive at \$1,600 per year and \$100 per meeting attended. The bill increases this amount to \$2,400 per year and specifies that special meetings include study sessions in specified circumstances.

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Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

HOUSE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
April 17, 2017

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 32-1-902, **amend**  
3 (3)(a) as follows:

4 **32-1-902. Organization of board - compensation - disclosure.**

5 (3) (a) (I) For directors serving a term of office commencing prior to ~~July~~  
6 ~~1, 2005~~ JANUARY 1, 2018, each director may receive as compensation for  
7 the director's service a sum not in excess of one thousand ~~two~~ SIX hundred  
8 dollars per annum, payable not to exceed ~~seventy-five~~ ONE HUNDRED  
9 dollars per meeting attended.

10 (II) For directors serving a term of office commencing on or after  
11 ~~July 1, 2005~~ JANUARY 1, 2018, each director may receive as  
12 compensation for the director's service a sum not in excess of ~~one~~  
13 ~~thousand six hundred~~ TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED dollars per annum,  
14 payable not to exceed one hundred dollars per meeting attended.

15 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 32-1-903, **amend** (1)  
16 introductory portion as follows:

17 **32-1-903. Meetings.** (1) The board shall meet regularly at a time  
18 and in a place to be designated by the board. Special meetings may be  
19 held as often as the needs of the special district require, upon notice to  
20 each director. SPECIAL MEETINGS INCLUDE STUDY SESSIONS AT WHICH A  
21 QUORUM OF THE BOARD IS IN ATTENDANCE AND NOTICE OF THE MEETINGS  
22 HAS BEEN GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION  
23 ~~OR~~ SECTION 24-6-402 (2)(c), AND AT WHICH INFORMATION IS PRESENTED  
24 BUT NO OFFICIAL ACTION CAN BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD. All special and  
25 regular meetings of the board shall be held at locations which are within  
26 the boundaries of the district or which are within the boundaries of any  
27 county in which the district is located, in whole or in part, or in any

1 county so long as the meeting location does not exceed twenty miles from  
2 the district boundaries. The provisions of this subsection (1) governing  
3 the location of meetings may be waived only if the following criteria are  
4 met:

5 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-6-203, **amend**  
6 (1)(b)(I) as follows:

7 **24-6-203. Reporting by incumbents and elected candidates -**  
8 **gifts, honoraria, and other benefits - prohibition on monetary gifts -**  
9 **penalty - definitions.** (1) (b) (I) As used in this section, the term "public  
10 office" means any office voted for in this state at any election. "Public  
11 office" includes, without limitation, the governor, lieutenant governor,  
12 secretary of state, attorney general, and state treasurer; a member of the  
13 general assembly or the state board of education; a regent of the  
14 university of Colorado; a judge on the Colorado court of appeals or the  
15 Colorado supreme court; a district attorney; or an officer of a county,  
16 municipality, city and county, school district, or any elective office within  
17 a special district for which the annual compensation exceeds ~~sixteen~~  
18 ~~hundred~~ TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED dollars.

19 **SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
20 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
21 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
22 9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10, 2017); except that, if a  
23 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
24 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
25 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
26 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in

- 1 November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 2 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.