

HOUSE BILL NO. 653

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING REIMBURSEMENT TO COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES FOR OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL RELATED TO COUNTY EMPLOYMENT; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-5-2145, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 7-5-2145, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-5-2145. Attendance at meetings and conventions by county officers and employees. (1)

Unless otherwise provided by law, a county officer or employee may not receive payment from any public funds for traveling expenses or other expenses of any sort for attendance at any convention, meeting, or other gathering of public officers except for attendance at a convention, meeting, or other gathering as the officer or employee may by virtue of the office find it necessary to attend.

(2) Any member of the board of county commissioners is allowed actual transportation expenses and per diem for attendance at any general meeting of county commissioners or assessors ~~held within the state~~, and the proportionate expenses and charges against each county as a member of the association must also be paid.

(3) County attorneys, sheriffs, assessors, and justices of the peace may attend their respective meetings or conventions ~~held within the state~~ and are allowed actual traveling expenses for attending the meeting or convention of their peers.

(4) Any county officer paid on a per-day basis for performance of official duties is allowed the per-day rate of pay for attendance at any convention, meeting, or other gathering of public officers that the officer may by virtue of the office find it necessary to attend."

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