ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. 0160 ENGROSSED

ENROLLED ACT NO. 124, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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AN ACT relating to the legislature; authorizing payment of unexpended constituent service allowances in subsequent quarters; limiting annual amount of the allowance; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 28-5-106(a), (b)(ii), (iii) and by creating a new paragraph (iv) is amended to read:

28-5-106. Constituent service allowance.

- (a) There is created a constituent service allowance account. All interest earned on funds within this account shall be deposited in the account. Until January 7, 2013, the legislative service office shall oversee and provide reimbursement from the account as provided in paragraphs (b)(i) and (iii) of this section. After January 7, 2013, the legislative service office shall oversee and provide payment from the account as provided in paragraph (b)(iv) of this section.
- (b) Each member of the legislature is entitled to receive a constituent service allowance as provided under this section. This allowance is intended to defray expenses incurred by each member in providing service to and on behalf of their constituents, which services are in addition to attending sessions of the legislature, attending meetings of interim committees and engaging in authorized interim work for which salary, per diem and mileage is authorized by law. The allowance is subject to the following:
- (ii) The allowance shall be seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00) per calendar quarter or fractional

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portion thereof that the member is in office. To the extent a member's entire quarterly amount is not paid in any quarter the member may claim previously unused amounts in subsequent quarters so long as the total amount paid the member in any calendar year does not exceed three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00). This annual amount shall otherwise be subject to the same conditions and restrictions as the quarterly allowance;

- (iii) Claim forms shall be submitted to the legislative service office not later than the last day of the month following the calendar quarter for which the allowance under this section is being claimed:
- (iv) The allowance shall be paid quarterly from the constituent service allowance account to all incumbent legislators. To the extent funds appropriated for purposes of this section are not sufficient to pay the full quarterly allowance to all members, payment shall be made on a proportional basis.

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Section 2. This act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

(END)

| Speaker of the House | President of the Senate |
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| Governor | |
| TIME APPROVED: | |
| DATE APPROVED: | |
| I hereby certify that this act ori | ginated in the House. |
| Chief Clerk | |