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H. F. No. 3488

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to state government; increasing the daily compensation rate for certain
1.3 members of boards, councils, and commissions; amending Minnesota Statutes
1.4 2018, sections 15.0575, subdivision 3; 15.059, subdivision 3.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 15.0575, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 3. Compensation. (a) Members of the boards may be compensated at the rate of
1.8 \$55 a \$100 per day spent on board activities, when authorized by the board, plus. Beginning
1.9 July 1, 2025, members of boards may be compensated at the rate of \$125 per day spent on
1.10 board activities, when authorized by the board. In addition, expenses may be paid in the
1.11 same manner and amount as authorized by the commissioner's plan adopted under section
1.12 43A.18, subdivision 2. Members who, as a result of time spent attending board meetings,
1.13 incur child care expenses that would not otherwise have been incurred, may be reimbursed
1.14 for those expenses upon board authorization.

1.15 (b) Members who are state employees or employees of the political subdivisions of the
1.16 state must not receive the daily payment for activities that occur during working hours for
1.17 which they are compensated by the state or political subdivision. However, a state or political
1.18 subdivision employee may receive the daily payment if the employee uses vacation time
1.19 or compensatory time accumulated in accordance with a collective bargaining agreement
1.20 or compensation plan for board activities. Members who are state employees or employees
1.21 of the political subdivisions of the state may receive the expenses provided for in this
1.22 subdivision unless the expenses are reimbursed by another source. Members who are state

2.1 employees or employees of political subdivisions of the state may be reimbursed for child
 2.2 care expenses only for time spent on board activities that are outside their working hours.

2.3 (c) Each board must adopt internal standards prescribing what constitutes a day spent
 2.4 on board activities for purposes of making daily payments under this subdivision.

2.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2020.

2.6 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 15.059, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

2.7 Subd. 3. **Compensation.** (a) Members of the advisory councils and committees may be
 2.8 compensated at the rate of ~~\$55~~ a \$100 per day spent on council or committee activities,
 2.9 when authorized by the council or committee, ~~plus.~~ Beginning January 1, 2025, members
 2.10 of councils and committees may be compensated at the rate of \$125 per day spent on council
 2.11 or committee activities, when authorized by the council or committee. In addition, expenses
 2.12 may be paid in the same manner and amount as authorized by the commissioner's plan
 2.13 adopted under section 43A.18, subdivision 2. Members who, as a result of time spent
 2.14 attending council or committee meetings, incur child care expenses that would not otherwise
 2.15 have been incurred, may be reimbursed for those expenses upon council or committee
 2.16 authorization.

2.17 (b) Members who are state employees or employees of political subdivisions must not
 2.18 receive the daily compensation for activities that occur during working hours for which
 2.19 they are compensated by the state or political subdivision. However, a state or political
 2.20 subdivision employee may receive the daily payment if the employee uses vacation time
 2.21 or compensatory time accumulated in accordance with a collective bargaining agreement
 2.22 or compensation plan for council or committee activity. Members who are state employees
 2.23 or employees of the political subdivisions of the state may receive the expenses provided
 2.24 for in this section unless the expenses are reimbursed by another source. Members who are
 2.25 state employees or employees of political subdivisions of the state may be reimbursed for
 2.26 child care expenses only for time spent on board activities that are outside their working
 2.27 hours.

2.28 (c) Each council and committee must adopt internal standards prescribing what constitutes
 2.29 a day spent on council or committee activities for purposes of making daily payments under
 2.30 this subdivision.

2.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2020.

3.1 Sec. 3. **COMPENSATION RATE; OTHER MULTIMEMBER BODIES.**

3.2 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a board, council, committee, advisory group,
3.3 or other multimember body established by law may authorize its members to be compensated
3.4 at the rate of \$100 per day spent on activities of the body. Beginning July 1, 2025, the body
3.5 may authorize its members to be compensated at the rate of \$125 per day spent on activities
3.6 of the body. This section applies only if the law establishing the body currently authorizes
3.7 a daily rate of compensation for its members and the rate is less than the amount authorized
3.8 by this section.

3.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2020.