

1982 No. 1079

NORTHERN IRELAND

The Northern Ireland Assembly (Pay and Allowances)
Order 1982

Made - - - - - 30th July 1982

Coming into Operation 1st October 1982

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 30th day of July 1982

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 26(2) and (4) of the Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973(a), is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Northern Ireland Assembly (Pay and Allowances) Order 1982 and shall come into operation on 1st October 1982.

2. There shall be paid to each member of the Assembly—

- (a) a salary at the rate of £8,700 a year;
- (b) an allowance not exceeding £5,292 a year to defray expenses incurred by him on secretarial assistance in carrying out his duties as a member, and
- (c) allowances at the rates specified in Article 4 below to defray expenses incurred by him on travelling in Northern Ireland in carrying out his duties as a member.

3.—(1) In addition to the salary payable under Article 2(a) above, there shall be paid to the member of the Assembly who is—

- (a) the presiding officer, a salary at the rate of £9,495 a year;
- (b) the chairman of any of the committees established in pursuance of paragraph (a) of section 4(1) of the Northern Ireland Act 1982(a), a salary at the rate of £2,900 a year, or
- (c) the deputy chairman of any such committee, a salary at the rate of £1,450 a year.

(a) 1973 c. 36; section 26(2) was extended by section 4(3) of the Northern Ireland Act 1982 (c. 38).

(2) The additional salaries referred to in paragraph (1) above shall commence—

- (a) in the case of the presiding officer on the day of his election as presiding officer, and
- (b) in the case of a chairman or deputy chairman of any of the committees referred to in paragraph (1)(b) above on the day of his appointment to that office

and shall cease on the day on which the presiding officer, chairman or deputy chairman, as the case may be, ceases to hold the office in question.

4.—(1) The rates of the allowances referred to in Article 2(c) above are—

- (a) in the case of a railway journey, the cost of the fare for that journey;
- (b) in the case of a journey by an omnibus, the cost of the fare for that journey;
- (c) in the case of a journey by a motor vehicle other than an omnibus or motor cycle, 24.9p for every mile of that journey; except that, where two or more members of the Assembly share a motor vehicle for the purposes of making a journey, the sum payable shall be divided by the number of members making the journey in question;
- (d) in the case of a journey by motor cycle—
 - (i) the engine capacity of which does not exceed 150 c.c., 6.4p for every mile of that journey;
 - (ii) the engine capacity of which exceeds 150 c.c. and does not exceed 250 c.c., 8.6p for every mile of that journey, or
 - (iii) the engine capacity of which exceeds 250 c.c., 12.7p for every mile of that journey;
- (e) in the case of a sea journey to Rathlin Island, the cost of the fare for that journey.

(2) In this Article—

“motor cycle” means any mechanically propelled vehicle with two wheels, and

“omnibus” means a motor vehicle used for carrying passengers on a predetermined route at separate fares.

N. E. Leigh,
Clerk of the Privy Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order prescribes the salary and allowances which are payable to each member of the Northern Ireland Assembly. The Order prescribes an additional salary which is payable to the member who is the presiding officer, as well as additional salaries to those members who are appointed chairmen or deputy chairmen of the committees established in pursuance of paragraph (a) of section 4(1) of the Northern Ireland Act 1982.

The allowances which are payable to a member are for the purpose of defraying expenses on secretarial assistance and travel within Northern Ireland which are incurred by him in carrying out his duties as a member.

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