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MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT (ENTITLEMENTS) COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2010

IN exercise of the powers conferred upon it by section 69B(2) of the Constitution, the Members of Parliament (Entitlements) Commission makes these Regulations –

Citation and amendment

- 1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the Members of Parliament (Entitlements) Commission (Amendment) Regulations 2010.
 - (2) These Regulations come into force on the 1st day of April 2010, except that regulation 8u(a) of these Regulations in relation to the increase in basic salary is deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of January 2010.

Regulation 9(3) amended

- 2. Regulation 9(3) of the Members of Parliament (Entitlements) Commission Regulations 1988 ("principal Regulations") is amended
 - (a) in subparagraph (a), by deleting "the purpose of encouraging micro-projects and charities established" and substituting "for charitable purposes at the discretion of the Member";
 - (b) in subparagraph (b)(i), by deleting "eighty" and substituting "one hundred and fifty";
 - (c) by revoking sub-subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) of subparagraph (b) and substituting the following
 - "(ii) A Member is entitled to claim the whole or part of the financial allocation by applying in writing to the Clerk setting out the charitable purposes and other information relevant to the allocation.".

Regulation 13 amended

3. The principal Regulations are amended in regulation 13(1) by deleting "ex gratia amount of \$50,000" and substituting "a sum of \$100,000 for death benefit,".

Regulation 26 amended

4. The principal Regulations is amended by adding after regulation 27 the following regulation –

"Advance on pension entitlement

27A. (A) A Member who is eligible for pension under regulation 11C or 11D is entitled to advance an amount of up to 12 months pension entitlement for the purpose of the Member's development project.".

(2) The advance shall be repaid over a period not exceeding twelve months from the date the advance is received by the Member."

Regulation 42 amended

- 5. Regulation 42 of the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) in paragraph (1)(b), by deleting "Six" and substituting "Four";
 - (b) in paragraph (7), by deleting "allowance of \$3,000.00" and substituting "\$7,000";
 - (c) in paragraph (8), by deleting "allowance of \$3,000" and substituting "\$4,000";
- 6. The principal Regulations are amended by adding after regulation 59 the following regulations –

"Travel insurance" "59A. The Clerk shall take out travel insurance for a Member who is on official overseas visit, including the accompanying spouse authorised under regulation 50.".

7. The principal Regulations are amended by adding after regulation 67 the following regulation –

"67A. The Government shall take out a Members of Parliament Group Health Insurance for Members (excluding their spouses and children) with a reputable insurer whether within or outside Solomon Islands.".

- 8. Appendix Λ to the principal Regulations is amended
 - (a) by revoking item 1 (Basic Salary) and substituting the following –

"1. BASIC SALARY

The following salaries shall be paid to the following –

(a)	Prime Minister	\$160,875
(b)	Deputy Prime Minister	\$146,250
(c)	Ministers, Leader of the Opposition Leader of the Independent Group	\$129,125
(d)	Deputy Speaker, Chairperson of the Parliamentary Caucus, Chairperson of a Standing Committee of Parliament.	\$118,125
(e)	Members	\$108,000".

- (b) in item 7 (Constituency Allowances) by deleting the respective allowances for each Zone and substituting the following
 - (i) for Zone 1, by deleting "\$16,000" and substituting "\$20,000";
 - (ii) for Zone 2, by deleting "\$15,800" and substituting "\$19,000";
 - (iii) for Zone 3, by deleting "S15,600" and substituting "S18,000";
 - (iv) for Zone 4, by deleting "S15,400" and substituting "S18,000";
 - (v) for Zone 5, by deleting "S12,200" and substituting "S18,000".
- 9. Appendix B to the principal Regulations is revoked.

Appendix B

MADE AT HONIARA this 1st day of April, 2010.

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MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT (ENTITLEMENTS) COMMISSION

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