

HB4740



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB4740

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 105/12-2

from Ch. 127, par. 148-2

Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that the Travel Regulation Council may provide, by rule, procedures to allow for the up-front reimbursement of travelers for certain covered travel expenses.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning finance.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The State Finance Act is amended by changing
5 Section 12-2 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/12-2) (from Ch. 127, par. 148-2)

7 Sec. 12-2. Travel Regulation Council; State travel
8 reimbursement.

9 (a) The chairmen of the travel control boards established
10 by Section 12-1, or their designees, shall together comprise
11 the Travel Regulation Council. The Travel Regulation Council
12 shall be chaired by the Director of Central Management
13 Services, who shall be a nonvoting member of the Council,
14 unless he is otherwise qualified to vote by virtue of being the
15 designee of a voting member. No later than March 1, 1986, and
16 at least biennially thereafter, the Council shall adopt State
17 Travel Regulations and Reimbursement Rates which shall be
18 applicable to all personnel subject to the jurisdiction of the
19 travel control boards established by Section 12-1. An
20 affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Council
21 shall be required to adopt regulations and reimbursement
22 rates. If the Council fails to adopt regulations by March 1 of
23 any odd-numbered year, the Director of Central Management

1 Services shall adopt emergency regulations and reimbursement
2 rates pursuant to the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act.
3 As soon as practicable after January 23, 2023 (the effective
4 date of Public Act 102-1119), the Travel Regulation Council
5 and the Higher Education Travel Control Board shall adopt
6 amendments to their existing rules to ensure that
7 reimbursement rates for public institutions of higher
8 education, as defined in Section 1-13 of the Illinois
9 Procurement Code, are set in accordance with the requirements
10 of subsection (f) of this Section.

11 (b) (Blank).

12 (c) (Blank).

13 (d) Reimbursements to travelers shall be made pursuant to
14 the rates and regulations applicable to the respective State
15 agency as of January 1, 1986 (the effective date of Public Act
16 84-345), until the State Travel Regulations and Reimbursement
17 Rates established by this Section are adopted and effective.

18 (e) (Blank).

19 (f) Notwithstanding any rule or law to the contrary, State
20 travel reimbursement rates for lodging and mileage for
21 automobile travel, as well as allowances for meals, shall be
22 set at the maximum rates established by the federal government
23 for travel expenses, subsistence expenses, and mileage
24 allowances under 5 U.S.C. 5701 through 5711 and any
25 regulations promulgated thereunder. If the rates set under
26 federal regulations increase or decrease during the course of

1 the State's fiscal year, the effective date of the new rate
2 shall be the effective date of the change in the federal rate.

3 (g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section,
4 the Council may provide, by rule, for alternative methods of
5 determining the appropriate reimbursement rate for a
6 traveler's subsistence expenses based upon the length of
7 travel, as well as the embarkation point and destination.

8 (h) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section,
9 the Council may provide, by rule, procedures to allow for the
10 up-front reimbursement of travelers for certain travel
11 expenses covered under this Section.

12 (Source: P.A. 102-1119, eff. 1-23-23; 103-8, eff. 1-1-24;
13 103-588, eff. 6-5-24; 103-605, eff. 7-1-24.)