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LEGISLATIVE SALARIES IN THE 50 STATES — 1973

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Salaries of state legislators have increased substantially in recent years. Since December 1972, legislative salaries have been increased in at least 8 states — California, Georgia, Iowa, New York, Ohio, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming. Salaries range from a low of \$100 per year in New Hampshire to an annual salary of \$23,500 in New York (effective 1975).

This survey of legislative salaries, which does not include living expenses, traveling expenses or special session compensation, was compiled from a Council of State Governments' publication entitled SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF LEGISLATORS AND STATE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS: ANNUAL SALARIES, recent clippings in the bureau's library, and additional information received from the Council of State Governments.

State	Salaries			Miscellaneous
	Per Day	Annual	Biennial	
Alabama	\$10			
Alaska		\$9,000		
Arizona		\$6,000		
Arkansas	\$20		\$2,400	
California		\$21,200		Effective December 1974; current salary \$19,200
Colorado		\$7,600		
Connecticut			\$11,000	\$6,500 in the odd years; \$4,500 in the even years. Legislators also receive a flat annual expense allowance of \$1,000. Cost of Living Council limited 1973 salaries to \$5,606.
Delaware		\$6,000		
Florida		\$12,000		
Georgia		\$7,200		Cost of Living Council limited current salary to \$6,200.
Hawaii		\$12,000		
Idaho	\$10			
Illinois		\$17,500		
Indiana		\$6,000		
Iowa		\$8,000		Effective January 1975; current salary \$5,500
Kansas	\$10			
Kentucky	\$25			
Louisiana	\$50			

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State	Salaries			Miscellaneous
	Per Day	Annual	Biennial	
Maine			\$3,500	\$2,500 for first year of biennium; \$1,000 for the second year of biennium
Maryland		\$11,000		
Massachusetts		\$12,688		Effective January 1974; current salary \$12,027
Michigan		\$17,000		
Minnesota			\$16,800	
Mississippi		\$5,000		
Missouri			\$16,800	
Montana	\$20			
Nebraska		\$4,800		
Nevada	\$60			
New Hampshire			\$200	
New Jersey		\$10,000		
New Mexico	\$36			
New York		\$23,500		Effective January 1975; current salary \$15,000
North Carolina		\$2,400		
North Dakota	\$5			
Ohio		\$14,000		
Oklahoma		\$9,480		
Oregon		\$4,800		
Pennsylvania		\$15,600		
Rhode Island	\$5			
South Carolina		\$4,000		
South Dakota		\$3,000		\$3,000 in odd-numbered years; \$2,000 in even-numbered years
Tennessee		\$5,000		
Texas		\$4,800		
Utah	\$25			
Vermont			\$150	Per week during session; salary and per diem limited to \$4,500
Virginia		\$5,475		
Washington		\$10,560		Effective new terms. Petitioned to be voted upon in the November 1973 elections. Current salary \$3,600 per biennium
West Virginia		\$3,300		
Wisconsin		\$15,681		Effective new terms; current salary \$9,900. The new salary schedule to go into effect in 1975 represents 65% of the midpoint of the salary range for executive salary group 2.
Wyoming	\$30			Effective 1977; current salary \$15 per day