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[Legal Notice No. 5]

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1997
(No. 7 of 1997)

**CHOISEUL PROVINCE (SPEAKER'S AND CLERK'S PAY
AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE) DETERMINATION 2015**

1. (1) This Determination may be cited as the Choiseul Province (Speaker's and Clerk's Pay and Conditions of Service) Determination 2015.

Title and
commencement

(2) This Determination is:

- (a) enacted by the Choiseul Provincial Assembly under section 22(3) of the Provincial Government Act 1997; and
- (b) comes into force on the day that it is published in the Solomon Islands Gazette.

2. In this Determination, unless context otherwise requires:

Interpretation

“**Act**” means the Provincial Government Act 1997;

“**Assembly**” means the Choiseul Provincial Assembly established under section 7 of the Act;

“**Clerk**” means the person appointed to the position of Clerk of the Choiseul Provincial Assembly under section 22(2) of the Act;

“**Determination**” means the Choiseul Provincial (Speaker’s and Clerk’s Pay and Condition of Service Determination 2015;

“**Executive**” means the Choiseul Provincial Executive established under section 19 of the Act;

“**Meeting**” means a meeting of the Provincial Assembly, including any committee established under the Assembly’s Standing Orders;

“**Province**” means Choiseul Province as defined under section 3 of the Act;

“**Provincial**” means relating to Choiseul Province;

“**Speaker**” means the person elected to the position of Speaker of the Choiseul Provincial Assembly under section 22(1) of the Act; and

“**Travel costs**” means the reasonable costs of transport to and from the meeting and accommodation while at the meeting.

Purpose

3. The purpose of this Determination is to prescribe the pay and conditions of service payable to the Speaker and Clerk of the Choiseul Provincial Assembly.

Speaker’s pay

4. The Speaker is entitled to a gross annual salary of \$59,800.00.

Speaker’s conditions of service

5. (1) The Speaker may, to the extent that they are applicable, claim the following benefits as part of his or her conditions of service;

- (a) a sitting allowance of \$180 for every meeting day;
 - (b) a daily subsistence allowance of \$170 for every meeting day and travel day when on official business;
 - (c) reasonable travel costs and accommodation expenses for meeting and travel on official duty;
- and
- (d) a clothing allowance of \$1500 per term of the Assembly.

(2) The Provincial Secretary, acting on the advice of the Provincial Treasurer, shall determine what costs are reasonable in the circumstances.

Clerk’s pay

6. The Clerk is entitled to a gross annual salary of \$54,600.

7. (1) The Clerk may, to the extent that they are applicable, claim the following benefits as part of his or her conditions of service:

- (a) free housing in the provincial headquarters or, if free housing is not available, a modest housing allowance at a rate fixed by the Executive in consultation with the Provincial Treasurer;
- (b) a sitting allowance of \$180 for every meeting day;
- (c) a clothing allowance of \$1500 per term of the Assembly;
- (d) sick leave and holiday entitlements at the same rate as payable under the Staff Instructions for a person of the equivalent position; and
- (e) NPF Contributions

(2) Where an Assembly meeting is held outside of the Provincial Headquarters and its immediate vicinity, the Clerk is entitled to:

- (a) a daily subsistence allowance for each travel and meeting day and travel costs; and
- (b) payment of travel costs.

(3) The Clerk may not take holiday leave during and immediately preceding meetings of the Provincial Assembly unless approved by the Premier.

(4) A Clerk may not claim a housing allowance under sub-clause (1)(a) if they stay in their own house.

8. This determination revokes any previous determination, order, or award that may be applicable in respect of Speakers' and Clerks' pay and conditions of service.

Revocation

Passed by Choiseul Provincial Assembly this twentieth day of March, 2015.

This printed impression has been carefully compared by me with Determination and found by me to be true and correct copy of the said Determination.

CHRISTOPHER MAKONI

Clerk to Choiseul Provincial Assembly

Assented to the Honourable Minister for Provincial Government and Institutional Strengthening on this twenty-fifth day of March, 2015.

HON. DUDDLEY KOPI

Minister for Provincial Government and Institutional Strengthening

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