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## DIGEST

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HB No. 1390

**Abstract:** Changes the amount of the per diem for members of the legislature from the rate allowable for per diem deduction under federal law to \$159 per day for two years beginning July 1, 2010.

Present law (R.S. 24:31) provides that the compensation of the members of the legislature shall be equal to the rate allowable for per diem deduction under federal law (Section 162(h)(1)(B)(ii) of Title 26 of the U.S. Code) for the location of the state capital during their attendance on that body.

Proposed law changes the amount of the per diem for members of the legislature from the rate allowable for per diem deduction under federal law to \$159 per day during their attendance on that body. Provides that this change becomes effective on July 1, 2010, and remains effective until July 2, 2012.

Proposed law provides that effective July 2, 2012, the amount of the per diem for members of the legislature changes from \$159 per day back to the rate allowable for per diem deduction under federal law.

(Amends R.S. 24:31)

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to the original bill.

1. Provided that the change in the per diem rate for members of the legislature to \$159 becomes effective July 1, 2010, and remains in effect until July 1, 2012, at which time the per diem rate is changed back to the rate allowable for per diem deduction under federal law.