1	JOINT RULES RESOLUTION ON EXPENSES AND
2	MILEAGE PROVISIONS
3	2010 GENERAL SESSION
4	STATE OF UTAH
5	Chief Sponsor: John Dougall
6	Senate Sponsor:
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8	LONG TITLE
9	General Description:
10	This joint resolution of the Legislature modifies provisions relating to the
11	reimbursement of transportation, lodging, and meal and incidental expenses to
12	legislators.
13	Highlighted Provisions:
14	This resolution:
15	 modifies definitions;
16	 provides that lodging expenses and meals and incidental expenses are paid to a
17	legislator only as a reimbursement of actual expenses incurred by the legislator
18	when attending an authorized legislative meeting;
19	 limits lodging expenses and meal and incidental expense reimbursements to the
20	federal per diem rates for Salt Lake City;
21	 provides that transportation costs are paid to a legislator only as a reimbursement
22	for actual expenses incurred by the legislator to travel to and from an authorized
23	legislative meeting;
24	 requires transportation cost reimbursements to be based on the federal privately
25	owned vehicle mileage reimbursement rate or on the actual cost incurred for
26	commercial or public transportation;
27	 requires legislators to submit supporting documentation with each reimbursement

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28	request;	
29	•	requires the Legislative Expenses Oversight Committee to ensure that procedures
30	are establis	shed for the purpose of avoiding duplicate or improper reimbursements;
31	•	permits a legislator to decline to request or receive reimbursement for costs or
32	expenses;	
33	•	permits a legislator to request and receive a partial or reduced reimbursement
34	amount;	
35	•	repeals provisions that apply different expense policies for the general session as
36	opposed to	other sessions and meetings; and
37	•	makes technical changes.
38	Special Cl	auses:
39	Thi	s resolution takes effect on January 1, 2011.
40	Legislative	e Rules Affected:
41	AMENDS	
42	JR	5-1-101
43	JR	5-2-102
44	ENACTS:	
45	JR	5-2-103
46	JR	5-2-104
47	REPEALS	AND REENACTS:
48	JR	5-2-101
49	REPEALS	:
50	JR	5-3-101
51	JR	5-3-102
52	JR	5-3-103
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54	Be it resolv	ved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
55	Sec	tion 1. JR5-1-101 is amended to read:
56	JR	5-1-101. Definitions.
57	As	used in this title[: (1) "Authorized] "authorized legislative meeting" means:
58	(1)	the annual general session;

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59	[(a)] (2) special sessions;				
60	[(b)] (3) veto override sessions;				
61	[(c)] (4) interim committee and subcommittee meetings;				
62	[(d)] (5) management committee and subcommittee meetings;				
63	[(e)] (6) executive appropriation and subcommittee meetings; and				
64	$\left[\frac{(f)}{2}\right]$ the meetings of any other body where legislative participation is required by				
65	law or authorized by the Legislative Management Committee.				
66	[(2) "Mileage" means the mileage reimbursement allowance approved by the Division				
67	of Finance for state employees.]				
68	Section 2. JR5-2-101 is repealed and reenacted to read:				
69	CHAPTER 2. LODGING, MEALS, AND INCIDENTAL EXPENSE				
70	REIMBURSEMENT				
71	JR5-2-101. Reimbursement of Lodging, Meals, and Incidental Expenses.				
72	(1) If attendance at an authorized legislative meeting necessitates overnight				
73	accommodations, a legislator shall receive reimbursement for any actual lodging expenses				
74	incurred by the legislator, up to the federal per diem lodging rate for Salt Lake City.				
75	(2) A legislator shall receive reimbursement for any actual meal and incidental				
76	expenses incurred by a legislator in association with the legislator's attendance at an authorized				
77	legislative meeting, up to the federal per diem meal and incidental expenses rate for Salt Lake				
78	<u>City.</u>				
79	Section 3. JR5-2-102 is amended to read:				
80	JR5-2-102. Reimbursement of Transportation Costs.				
81	[(1) This rule governs transportation costs incurred by legislators when the Legislature				
82	is in annual general session.]				
83	[(2) (a) Each legislator shall receive transportation costs to and from the session.]				
84	[(b) These costs] (1) A legislator shall receive reimbursement for any transportation				
85	costs incurred by a legislator in association with the legislator's attendance at an authorized				
86	legislative meeting.				
87	(2) Any transportation costs reimbursed under this section shall be computed on the				
88	basis of <u>:</u>				
89	(a) the actual mileage [for] incurred by the legislator for the legislator's private				

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90	automobile use to and from the authorized legislative meeting, to be paid in accordance with
91	the mileage reimbursement allowance approved by the Division of Finance for state
92	employees; or
93	(b) the actual cost [of alternative commercial transportation] incurred by the legislator
94	for commercial or public transportation to and from the authorized legislative meeting.
95	Section 4. JR5-2-103 is enacted to read:
96	JR5-2-103. Verification Procedures.
97	(1) Each legislator shall provide supporting documentation for each cost or expense for
98	which the legislator seeks reimbursement.
99	(2) The Legislative Expenses Oversight Committee shall ensure that procedures are
100	established for the purpose of avoiding duplicate or improper reimbursements.
101	Section 5. JR5-2-104 is enacted to read:
102	JR5-2-104. Declining Reimbursement and Reduced Reimbursement.
103	(1) A legislator may decline to request or receive reimbursement for any expense or
104	cost that is reimbursable under this chapter.
105	(2) A legislator may request and receive a partial or reduced reimbursement for any
106	expense or cost that is reimbursable under this chapter.
107	Section 6. Repealer.
108	This resolution repeals:
109	JR5-3-101, Meals and Incidental Expense Reimbursement for Authorized
110	Legislative Meetings, Special Sessions, and Veto Override Sessions.
111	JR5-3-102, Lodging Expense Reimbursement for Authorized Legislative
112	Meetings, Special Sessions, and Veto Override Sessions.
113	JR5-3-103, Travel Expense Reimbursement for Authorized Legislative Meetings,
114	Special Sessions, and Veto Override Sessions.
115	Section 7. Effective date.
116	This resolution takes effect on January 1, 2011.

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State Impact

Provisions of this bill would create an estimated savings of \$442,100 from the General Fund in FY 2011. The estimated savings would be divided \$117,900 to the Senate and \$324,200 to the House of Representatives.

	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<u>Approp.</u>	Approp.	<u>Approp.</u>	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue
General Fund	\$0	(\$442,100)	(\$442,100)	N	02	\$0
Total	\$0	(\$442,100)	(\$442,100)	\$0	\$0	<u>\$0</u>
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Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.

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