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**I**

The Act No. 61 of 16 December 2011 on Remuneration of Members of the Storting shall be amended as follows:

Section 7 first paragraph shall now read:

The Storting may issue further rules on reimbursement of expenses for moving house, subsistence, trips home and other special expenses in connection with the Member of the Stortings' absence from their homes.

Section 10 shall now read:

**Section 10**    Holiday remuneration

Members of the Storting who, following an election, cease to sit in the Storting, in January of the following year shall be disbursed holiday remuneration, in accordance with the rates laid down by the Main Tariff Agreement for government employees. The basis for holiday remuneration shall be calculated on the basis of remuneration disbursed in the last calendar year of the parliament, including any severance pay under Section 8 of the present Act. This paragraph shall have corresponding application to permanent Substitute Members who quit the Storting between 1 July and 31 December.

Temporary Substitute Members shall, on their last ordinary disbursement day before the parliamentary recess in June, receive holiday remuneration under the rates laid down in the Main Tariff Agreement for government employees. The basis for holiday remuneration shall be calculated on the basis of the remuneration disbursed in the preceding calendar year. This paragraph shall have corresponding application to permanent Substitute Members who cease their term of office between 1 January and 30 June.

Elected Members of the Storting who cease their term of office between elections or are granted leave of absence for the rest of the parliament, shall be subject to the same rules as permanent Substitute Members who cease their term of office.

Holiday remuneration shall not be disbursed to Members of the Storting who enter the Government. Nor shall holiday remuneration be disbursed to Substitute Members who, by decision of the Presidium of the Storting, retain their remuneration for the period after the Storting has gone into recess in June. These shall have their holiday remuneration calculated under the first paragraph, with disbursement in January in the year after stepping down as Substitute Member.

The Storting may issue further provisions on calculation and disbursement of holiday remuneration.

A new Section 11 a shall now read:

**Section 11 a** *Obtaining of Information*

The Administration of the Storting shall be entitled to obtain such information as is necessary in order to check that the conditions for severance pay and termination allowance under this Act with its statutory regulations are satisfied or have been satisfied in past periods. Information may be obtained from present and former employers, pension schemes, the bodies of the National Insurance system and the Tax Service.

Whosoever is obliged to provide information shall have a duty to provide it without compensation and irrespective of any duty of confidentiality.

**II**

The Act shall enter into force on 1 October 2013.

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