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GUIDELINES RELATIVE TO THE GRANT OF PER DIEMS TO MEMBERS OF COLLEGIAL BODIES AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS/TRUSTEES OF STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

1.0 Purpose

This Circular is being issued to rationalize and standardize the per diems of members of collegial bodies covered by or following RA No. 6758 or the Salary Standardization Law (SSL) and members of the Board of Regents/Trustees of State Universities and Colleges (SUCs).

2.0 Coverage and Exemptions

The per diems authorized in this Circular shall apply to all members of collegial bodies covered by or following RA No. 6758 or the SSL and members of the Board of Regents/Trustees of SUCs. The following however, shall not be entitled thereto:

2.1 Department Secretaries, Department of Undersecretaries and Department Assistant Secretaries occupying ex-officio positions in collegial bodies based on Supreme Court decision in Civil Liberties Union vs. Executive Secretary (G.R. No. 83896) dated February 22, 1991; and

2.2 Members of collegial bodies who are regularly appointed thereto and receive salaries and other compensation therefor.

3.0 Definition of Terms

For purposes of this Circular, the following shall mean:

3.1 Collegial Body - a government entity composed of public and private sector members, the number and tenure of office of whom are determined by law, and are appointed by the President either on full-time, part-time or in an ex-officio capacity.

3.2 Per Diem - amount granted to the chairperson and members of collegial bodies created by law for every attendance in a board meeting where there is a quorum.

3.3 State Universities and Colleges - public higher education institutions created and established by law which constitute their charters and which have independent and separate Boards of Regents/Trustees.

4.0 Rules and Regulations

4.1 Per Diems of Members of Collegial Bodies