

# Independent Commission to Review MLA Compensation

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## *MLA Compensation Public Hearings Begin*

VANCOUVER - The Independent Commission to Review MLA Compensation began its public hearing schedule on Tuesday, Feb. 27 with consultations in Vancouver and is holding at least six other hearings around the Province:

### **Langley**

Monday, March 5, 2007  
4 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
Innes Room  
Coast Hotel and Convention Centre  
20393 Fraser Highway

### **Kelowna**

Tuesday, March 6, 2007  
4 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
Thompson/Shuswap Room  
Woodfire Conference Centre – Best Western Inn  
2400 Highway 97 North

### **Prince George**

Wednesday, March 14, 2007  
4 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
Summit Room  
Coast Inn of the North  
770 Brunswick Street

### **Fort St. John**

Thursday, March 15, 2007  
4 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
Grand 1  
Quality Inn Northern Grand  
9830 100 Avenue

### **Nanaimo**

Wednesday, April 4, 2007  
3 p.m. – 7 p.m.  
Malaspina Room, Coast Bastion Inn  
11 Bastion Street

## **Victoria**

Thursday, April 5, 2007

4 p.m. – 8 p.m.

South Pender Island Ballroom

Hotel Grand Pacific

463 Belleville Street

The Commission encourages written submissions on the topic of compensation for Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia. If you would like to appear before the Commission at any of the public hearing locations listed above, please call Shannon Borsoff below to register. The Commission will give preference to those who have reserved a time with it.

You can follow the work of the Commission on the Internet at <http://www.leg.bc.ca/bcmlacomp/> or by contacting the Commission below.

The deadline for written submissions is Friday, April 6, 2007. The Commission is scheduled to present its Report to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly by April 30.

The Commission has been charged with:

- Reviewing levels of compensation including pension arrangements of Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia,
- Recommending the basic compensation including pension arrangements for Members of the Legislative Assembly and allowances for the Premier, Cabinet Ministers, the Leader of the Official Opposition and the Speaker,
- Recommending allowances for parliamentary secretaries, chairs of caucus committees, whips and chairs of legislative committees, and
- Recommending the means by which compensation, including pension arrangements, can be independently reviewed regularly and what, if any, annual adjustments should be made.

For further information, to send your written submission or to reserve a time to appear before the Commission please contact Shannon Borsoff at 604.631.3515; 1.866.635.3131 (toll free); 604.631.3232 (facsimile) or [sborsoff@van.fasken.com](mailto:sborsoff@van.fasken.com);

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