

# **REPUBLIC OF VANUATU**

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 Assent:
 06/07/2018

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 10/07/2018

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An Act to amend the Municipalities Act [CAP 126].

Be it enacted by the President and Parliament as follows-

### 1 Amendment

The Municipalities Act [CAP 126] is amended as set out in the Schedule.

### 2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which it is published in the Gazette.

## SCHEDULE

# AMENDMENTS OF THE MUNICIPALITIES ACT [CAP 126]

### 1 Part 3A (Heading)

Repeal the heading, substitute "Allowances, Gratuities and Housing provisions"

### 2 After section 11A

Insert

### "11AA Constituency allowance

- (1) Each member of a council including the mayor and deputy mayor are entitled to a constituency allowance of up to and not more than VT1,500,000 per annum.
- (2) Subject to the availability of funds from the Government, the Minister is to determine when the allowance is to be paid and determine the rate of the constituency allowance.

### 11AB Responsibility remuneration

(1) Each member of a council other than the mayor and deputy mayor are entitled to an annual responsibility remuneration as set out in the table below:

Minimum	Midpoint	Maximum
1	2	3
VT1,345,100	VT1,434,600	VT1,482,500

(2) Subject to the availability of funds from the Government, the Minister is to determine when the Grades set out in the table in subsection (1) are to be paid and to determine the rate of the responsibility remuneration.

### **11AC** Take home pay entitlements

- (1) A member of a council is not entitled to any form of take home pay entitlements as from the date on which this Act commences.
- (2) For the purposes of this section:

take home pay entitlements includes all of the following allowances:

- (a) child, family, spouse allowances; and
- (b) cost of living allowance; and
- (c) entertainment allowance; and
- (d) fuel allowance; and
- (e) housing allowances; and
- (f) telephone allowance."

#### **11AD** Housing provision

A mayor of a municipal council is entitled to the housing provisions determined by the Government Remuneration Tribunal under the Government Remuneration Tribunal Act [CAP 250]."