

## CHAPTER 10

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#### 10.43 TELEPHONE USE; APPROVAL.

Each representative, senator, constitutional officer, judge, and head of a state department or agency shall sign the person's monthly long-distance telephone bills paid by the state as evidence of the person's approval of each bill.

**History:** 1993 c 370 s 4

#### 10.44 LEGISLATURE AND OTHER OFFICIALS; BUDGETS.

The budgets of the house of representatives, senate, constitutional officers, district courts, court of appeals, and supreme court must be submitted to and considered by the appropriate committees of the legislature in the same manner as the budgets of executive agencies.

**History:** 1993 c 370 s 5

#### 10.45 BUDGETS; INFORMATION.

The budgets of the house of representatives, the senate, each constitutional officer, the district courts, court of appeals, and supreme court shall be public information and shall be divided into expense categories. The categories shall include, among others, travel and telephone expenses.

**History:** 1993 c 370 s 6

#### 10.46 TELEPHONE RECORDS PUBLIC.

Long-distance telephone bills paid for by the state or a political subdivision, including those of representatives, senators, judges, constitutional officers, heads of departments and agencies, local officials, and employees thereof, are public data.

**History:** 1993 c 370 s 7

#### 10.47 TELEPHONE SERVICE; OVERSIGHT.

Each member, officer, or employee in the legislative, judicial, and executive branches shall report any evidence of misuse of long-distance telephone service to the chief officer of the legislative body, judicial branch, executive office, or executive agency, and to the legislative auditor when appropriate. The legislative auditor shall investigate and report on evidence of misuse of long-distance telephone service of legislators, judges, constitutional officers, heads of executive departments and agencies, and state employees and, where appropriate, refer the evidence to other authorities.

**History:** 1993 c 370 s 8

#### 10.48 EXPENSE REPORTS.

The house of representatives and senate shall by rule require detailed quarterly reports of expenditures by the house of representatives and senate to their respective committees on rules and legislative administration. Each constitutional officer, the district courts, court of appeals, and supreme court shall submit detailed quarterly reports of their expenditures to the legislative auditor. These reports are public information.

**History:** 1993 c 370 s 9