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76-11a08. Same; witnesses at hearings, fees and mileage; hearing officers, compensation and expenses; recording and transcribing testimony, when; costs of hearing. (a) For appearing before the hearing officer at a hearing, witnesses who are subpoenaed shall receive \$5 per day and mileage at the rate prescribed under K.S.A. 75-3203, and amendments thereto, for miles actually traveled in going to and returning from attendance at the hearing. The fees and mileage for the attendance of witnesses shall be paid by the party calling the witness, except that fees and mileage of witnesses subpoenaed by the hearing officer shall be paid by the state board. Witnesses voluntarily appearing before the hearing officer shall not receive fees or mileage for attendance at the hearing.

(b) The hearing officer shall be paid compensation for each day, or part thereof, spent in actual attendance at the hearing and for any day, or part thereof, spent in performance of the hearing officer's official duties. In addition to compensation, the hearing officer shall be paid subsistence allowances, mileage, and other expenses as provided in K.S.A. 75-3223, and amendments thereto. The costs for the services of the hearing officer shall be paid by the state board.

(c) Testimony at a hearing shall be recorded by a certified shorthand reporter. The cost for the certified shorthand reporter's services shall be paid by the state board. The testimony shall be transcribed if the decision of the hearing officer is appealed to the district court, or if either party requests transcription. The appellant or the party making the request shall pay for the cost of transcription. If both parties jointly request that the testimony be transcribed at the hearing level, the parties shall each pay 1/2 of the cost of transcription.

(d) Each party shall be responsible for the payment of its own attorney fees.

(e) All costs of a hearing which are not specifically allocated in this section shall be paid by the state board.

History: L. 1987, ch. 360, § 7; L. 2003, ch. 52, § 6; July 1.