The commissioner shall be entitled to reimbursement of actual necessary expenses in attending meetings of insurance commissioners of other states, and in the performance of the duties of the office. The commissioner's salary shall be as fixed by the general assembly. [S13, §1683-r2; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §8610; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §505.5]