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This accounting details how the Senate spent funds during the period covering April 1 - September 30, 2015. The Senate will be issuing similar reports on a semi-annual basis, with the next report covering October 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016.

Making this Expenditure Report publicly available is a milestone in terms of informing the public of how the Senate, composed of Senators elected from the 63 Senatorial Districts, spends funds appropriated for its operation. This report details total salary payments for Senators and staff and lists every voucher submitted to the State Comptroller's Office for payment of travel and general expenditures. This report goes even further than the listing of salaries and vouchers; it also breaks down some of the larger non-personal service expenditures into what we are calling "allocated expenditures". These allocated expenditures show how such large, lump sum payments as postage, supplies, and long-distance telephone charges are in turn spent by Senators' and staff offices.

Hopefully you will find the **Senate Expenditure Report** to be a useful document. Your comments and suggestions would be welcomed, and should be addressed to the Secretary of the Senate's office.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Francis W. Patience".

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