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AN ACT to amend and reenact sections two and three, article two, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended and reenacted by chapter thirty-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine, providing for the appointment of inspector, headquarters and supply sergeants and civilian employees; providing for the creation, appointment and equipment of companies and platoons; and fixing salaries and bonds of members of the department of public safety.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections two and three, article two, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirtyone, as amended and reenacted by chapter thirty-five, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine, be amended and reenacted so as to read as follows:

- Section 2. Inspector, Headquarters and Supply Ser-
- 2 geants; Civilian Employees. The superintendent shall
- 3 appoint an inspector with the grade of captain, and a
- 4 headquarters sergeant and a supply sergeant at the
- 5 annual salaries provided in section three of this article.
- 6 He shall also appoint such civilian employees as may be
- 7 necessary, whose salaries shall be fixed by the board of
- 8 public works. Such inspector, headquarters sergeant
- 9 and supply sergeant shall be enrolled and enlisted as mem-
- 10 bers of the department of public safety.
 - Sec. 3. Companies or Platoons; How Constituted; Sal-
- 2 aries and Bonds of Members. The superintendent shall
- 3 create, appoint and equip a department of public safety
- 4 which shall consist of four companies or platoons. Each

- 5 company or platoon shall be composed of one captain,
- 6 one lieutenant, one first sergeant, five sergeants, eight
- 7 corporals, and such number of troopers as the superin-
- 8 tendent may decide best, but such number of troopers
- 9 shall not at any time be less than thirty, or more than
- 10 fifty-five in any one company or platoon.
- 11 Members of the department shall receive salaries, as
- 12 follows:
- 13 The inspector shall receive an annual salary of thirty-
- 14 six hundred dollars, and shall receive an increase of sixty
- 15 dollars per annum during continuous service at the grade
- 16 of inspector until a maximum annual salary of three thou-
- 17 sand nine hundred sixty dollars is paid; captains shall
- 18 each receive an annual salary of twenty-four hundred
- 19 dollars, and shall receive an increase of sixty dollars
- 20 per annum during continuous service at the grade of
- 21 captain until a maximum annual salary of two thousand
- 22 seven hundred sixty dollars is paid; lieutenants shall each
- 23 receive an annual salary of twenty-one hundred dollars,
- 24 and shall receive an increase of sixty dollars per annum

during continuous service at the grade of lieutenant until a maximum annual salary of twenty-four hundred dollars is paid; first sergeants, the headquarters sergeant and supply sergeant shall each receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars, and shall receive an increase of sixty dollars per annum during continuous service at 31 their respective grades until a maximum annual salary 32 of one thousand nine hundred eighty dollars is paid; 33 sergeants shall each receive an annual salary of one thousand six hundred eighty dollars, and shall receive an increase of sixty dollars per annum during continuous 35 service at the grade of sergeant until a maximum annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars is paid; corporals shall each receive an annual salary of fifteen hundred 39 sixty dollars, and shall receive an increase of sixty dollars per annum during continuous service at the grade of corporal until a maximum annual salary of sixteen hundred eighty dollars is paid; and each trooper shall receive a salary of seventy-five dollars per month for the 44 first three months of his service, one hundred dollars

- per month for the next nine months, and thereafter shall receive an increase of sixty dollars per annum during continuous service at the grade of trooper until a maximum annual salary of one thousand five hundred sixty
- 49 dollars is paid.
- In applying the foregoing salary schedule where salary increases are provided for continuous service, all the
- 52 members of the department in service at the time this act
- 53 becomes effective shall be given credit for prior continu-
- 54 ous service in their respective grades, and shall be paid
- 55 such salaries as the same length of continuous service
- 56 would entitle them to receive under the provisions
- 57 hereof.
- 58 Each member of the department of public safety, ex-
- 59 cept the superintendent and civilian employees, shall,
- 60 before entering upon the discharge of his duties, execute
- 61 a bond with security in the sum of three thousand five
- 62 hundred dollars, payable to the state of West Virginia,
- 63 conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as
- 64 such, and such bond shall be approved as to form by the

- 65 attorney general, and as to sufficiency by the board of
- 66 public works, and the same shall be filed with the sec-
- 67 retary of state and preserved in his office.