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(By Mr. Bowles)



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AN ACT to amend and reenact section three, article two, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the department of public safety.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section three, article two, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 3. *Companies and Platoons and How Constituted; Training of Members and Other Peace Officers; Salaries and Bonds of Members.*—The superintendent shall create, appoint and equip a department of public safety which shall, in addition to the personnel provided for in section two of this article, consist of four companies or platoons. Each company or platoon shall be composed

8 of one captain, one lieutenant, one first sergeant, five
9 sergeants, ten corporals and such number of troopers as
10 the superintendent may decide best, but such number
11 of troopers in any company or platoon shall not at any
12 time be less than twenty-five nor more than sixty-five.

13 The superintendent shall provide adequate facilities
14 for the training of all members of the department and
15 shall prescribe a basic training course for newly enlisted
16 members. He shall also provide advanced or in service
17 training from time to time for all members of the depart-
18 ment. The superintendent may, in his discretion, hold
19 training classes for other peace officers in the state with-
20 out cost to such officers, except actual expenses for food,
21 lodging and school supplies.

22 Members of the department shall receive salaries, as
23 follows:

24 The inspector shall receive an annual salary of four
25 thousand nine hundred twenty dollars; captains shall
26 receive an annual salary of four thousand one hundred
27 forty dollars; lieutenants shall each receive an annual
28 salary of three thousand eight hundred forty dollars; the

29 master sergeants, master technical sergeants and first
30 sergeants shall each receive an annual salary of three
31 thousand four hundred eighty dollars; technical sergeants
32 shall each receive an annual salary of three thousand
33 four hundred twenty dollars; sergeants and sergeant
34 technicians shall each receive an annual salary of three
35 thousand three hundred dollars; corporals and corporal
36 technicians shall each receive an annual salary of three
37 thousand one hundred eighty dollars; and each newly
38 enlisted trooper shall receive a salary of one hundred
39 seventy-five dollars during the period of his basic training
40 and upon the satisfactory completion of such training
41 and assignment to active duty each such trooper shall
42 receive, during the remainder of his first year's service,
43 a salary of two hundred twenty-five dollars monthly.
44 During the second year of his service in the department
45 each trooper shall receive an annual salary of two thou-
46 sand eight hundred twenty dollars; during the third year
47 of his service each trooper shall receive an annual salary
48 of two thousand nine hundred forty dollars; and during
49 the fourth and fifth years of his service each trooper shall

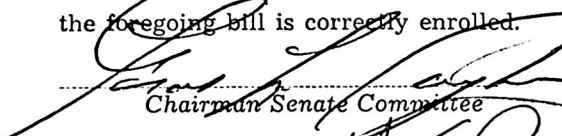
50 receive an annual salary of ~~thre~~ thousand sixty dollars.
51 Each member of the department entitled thereto by the
52 provisions hereof shall receive an increase in salary over
53 that hereinbefore set forth in this section, for grade and
54 rank, based on length of service, including that heretofore
55 and hereafter served, with the department, as follows: For
56 each five year period of service with the department from
57 the date of first enlistment, each member of the depart-
58 ment shall receive a salary increase of one hundred
59 twenty dollars per year to be effective during his next
60 five years of service, which increases shall be successive
61 and cumulative until a total of five such increases shall
62 be received.

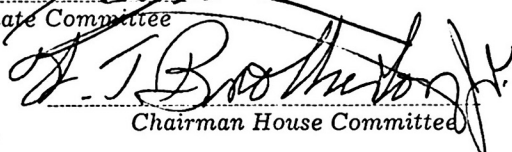
63 In applying the foregoing salary schedule where salary
64 increases are provided for length of service, members of
65 the department in service at the time this article becomes
66 effective shall be given credit for prior service and shall
67 be paid such salaries as the same length of service will
68 entitle them to receive under the provisions hereof.

69 Each member of the department of public safety, except
70 the superintendent and civilian employees, shall, before

71 entering upon the discharge of his duties, execute a bond
72 with security in the sum of three thousand five hundred
73 dollars payable to the state of West Virginia, conditioned
74 for the faithful performance of his duties as such, and
75 such bond shall be approved as to form by the attorney
76 general, and as to sufficiency by the board of public works
77 and the same shall be filed with the secretary of state
78 and preserved in his office.

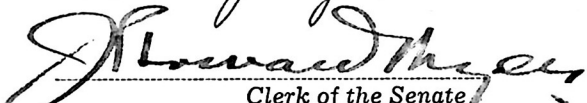
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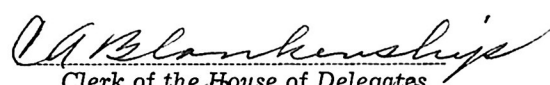

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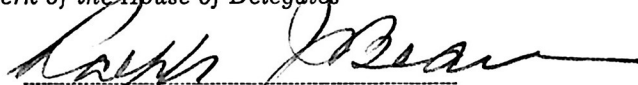

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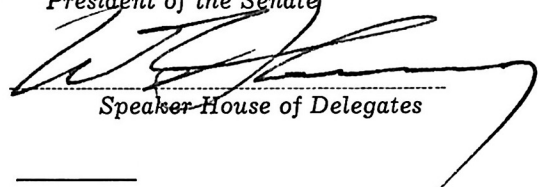
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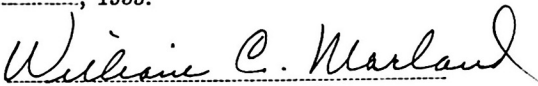

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President of the Senate


Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 1
day of March, 1955.


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