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HOUSE BILL No. 263

*Originating in the Committee*  
(By Mr. on Finance)

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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

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

13 The superintendent shall provide adequate facilities for  
14 the training of all members of the department and shall  
15 prescribe a basic training course for newly enlisted mem-  
16 bers. He shall also provide advanced or in service train-  
17 ing from time to time for all members of the department.  
18 The superintendent may, in his discretion, hold training  
19 classes for other peace officers in the state without cost  
20 to such officers, except actual expenses for food, lodging  
21 and school supplies.

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

24 The inspector shall receive an annual salary of five  
25 thousand two hundred twenty dollars; captains shall each  
26 receive an annual salary of four thousand four hundred  
27 forty dollars; lieutenants shall each receive an annual

28 salary of four thousand one hundred forty dollars; the  
29 master sergeants and first sergeants shall each receive an  
30 annual salary of three thousand seven hundred eighty  
31 dollars; sergeants shall each receive an annual salary of  
32 three thousand six hundred dollars; corporals shall each  
33 receive an annual salary of three thousand four hundred  
34 eighty dollars; and each newly enlisted trooper shall re-  
35 ceive a salary of two hundred dollars during the period  
36 of his basic training, and upon the satisfactory completion  
37 of such training and assignment to active duty each such  
38 trooper shall receive, during the remainder of his first  
39 year's service, a salary of two hundred fifty dollars month-  
40 ly. During the second year of his service in the depart-  
41 ment each trooper shall receive an annual salary of three  
42 thousand one hundred twenty dollars; during the third  
43 year of his service each trooper shall receive an annual  
44 salary of three thousand two hundred forty dollars; and  
45 during the fourth and fifth years of his service each  
46 trooper shall receive an annual salary of three thousand  
47 three hundred sixty dollars. Each member of the depart-  
48 ment entitled thereto by the provisions hereof shall re-

49 ceive an increase in salary over that hereinbefore set forth  
50 in this section, for grade and rank, based on length of  
51 service, including that heretofore and hereafter served,  
52 with the department, as follows: For each five-year pe-  
53 riod of service with the department from the date of first  
54 enlistment, each member of the department shall receive  
55 a salary increase of one hundred twenty dollars per year  
56 to be effective during his next five years of service, which  
57 increases shall be successive and cumulative until a total  
58 of five such increases shall be received.

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

65 Each member of the department of public safety, except  
66 the superintendent and civilian employees, shall, before  
67 entering upon the discharge of his duties, execute a bond  
68 with the security in the sum of three thousand five hun-  
69 dred dollars payable to the state of West Virginia, con-

70 ditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as such,  
71 and such bond shall be approved as to form by the attor-  
72 ney general, and as to sufficiency by the board of public  
73 works, and the same shall be filed with the secretary of  
74 state and preserved in his office.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that  
the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

E. H. McCourt  
Chairman Senate Committee

W. H. Hutton  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect July 1, 1957 passage.

Thomas H. Myers  
Clerk of the Senate

C. Blankenship  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

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Speaker, House of Delegates

The within approved this the 15<sup>th</sup>  
day of March 1957.

Geoff A. Hudewo  
Governor



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