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SENATE BILL NO. 483

(By Senator Wooten, et al)



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(BY SENATORS WOOTON, BALL, DITTMAR, FANNING, HUNTER,
KESSLER, MCCABE, MINARD, MITCHELL, REDD, ROSS, SNYDER
AND DEEM)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section seventeen, article one, chapter fifty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to duties of director of supreme court of appeals; and eliminating time reporting requirements for circuit judges.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 1. SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS.

**§51-1-17. Administrative office of supreme court of appeals—
duties of director.**

1 The director shall, when authorized by the supreme court
2 of appeals, be the administrative officer of said court and
3 shall have charge, under the supervision and direction of
4 the supreme court of appeals, of:

5 (a) All administrative matters relating to the offices of
6 the clerks of the circuit and intermediary courts and of the
7 offices of justice of the peace and all other clerical and
8 administrative personnel of said courts; but nothing
9 contained in this act shall be construed as affecting the
10 authority of the courts to appoint their administrative or
11 clerical personnel;

12 (b) Examining the state of the dockets of the various
13 courts and securing information as to their needs for
14 assistance, if any, and the preparation of statistical data
15 and reports of the business transacted by the courts;

16 (c) The preparation of a proper budget to secure the
17 appropriation of moneys for the maintenance, support and
18 operation of the courts;

19 (d) The purchase, exchange, transfer and distribution of
20 equipment and supplies, as may be needful or desirable;

21 (e) Such other matters as may be assigned to him by the
22 supreme court of appeals. The clerks of the circuit courts,
23 intermediate courts and courts of the justices of the peace
24 shall comply with any and all requests made by the
25 director or his assistants for information and statistical
26 data bearing on the state of the dockets of such courts, or
27 such other information as may reflect the business trans-
28 acted by them;

29 (f) *Annual report of activities and estimates of expendi-*
30 *tures.* — The director, when required to do so by the
31 supreme court of appeals, shall submit annually to the
32 court a report of the activities of the administrative office
33 and of the state of business of the courts, together with the
34 statistical data compiled by him, with his recommenda-
35 tions.

36 (g) Serve as the chair of the court security board created
37 under the provisions of section fifteen, article three of this
38 chapter.

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

W. J. Sharkey

Chairman Senate Committee

Joe F. Smith

Chairman House Committee

Originating in the Senate.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Russell E. Roberts

Clerk of the Senate

Angus W. Burd

Clerk of the House of Delegates

Carl Roy Tomblin

President of the Senate

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Speaker House of Delegates

The within *approved* this the *10th*

Day of *March*, 1999

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