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House Bill No. 104

(By Mr. Barnhart)

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AN ACT to provide for the creation of a commission on uniform state laws, the appointment of commissioners thereto, the payment of the expenses of such commissioners and prescribing the duties thereof.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That a new article, creating a commission on uniform state laws, be and the same is hereby added to chapter twenty-nine of the official code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, to be known as article nine, entitled "commission on uniform state laws," and consisting of sections one to five, inclusive, and to read as follows:

Section 1. Within thirty days after the effective date of this article, the governor, upon the recommendation of the executive council of the West Virginia Bar Association, of a list of seven eligible persons, shall appoint therefrom three commissioners, no more than two of whom shall be members of the
5 a same political party, and each of whom shall be members of
6 the bar of this state, in good standing, or of the judiciary of this
7 state, who shall constitute and be known as the commission on
8 uniform state laws, and upon the death, resignation or refusal
9 to serve of any of the commissioners so appointed, the governor,
10 upon like recommendation, shall make an appointment to fill
11 the vacancy so caused, such new appointment to be for the un-
12 expired balance of the term of the original appointee.

Sec. 2. Each of said commissioners shall hold office for a
2 term of four years, and until their successors are duly ap-
3 pointed, but nothing herein contained shall be construed to
4 render a commissioner who has faithfully performed his duties
5 ineligible for reappointment. No member of said commission
6 shall receive any compensation for his services as commissioner,
7 but each commissioner shall be entitled to receive his actual
8 disbursements for expenses in performing the duties of his office,
8a and an account of which expenses, shall be approved by the
9 chairman and paid by the state auditor as other claims author-
10 ized by law.

Sec. 3. The commissioners shall meet at the state capitol at
2 least once in two years and shall organize by the election of one
3 of their number as chairman and another as secretary, who shall
4 hold their respective offices for a term of two years and until
5 their successors are elected and qualified.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of each of said commissioners to
2 attend the meeting of the national conference of commissioners
3 on uniform state laws, or to arrange for the attendance of at
4 least one of their number at such national conference, and
5 in such national conference they shall do all in their
6 power to promote uniformity in state laws, upon all subjects
7 where uniformity may be deemed desirable and practicable;
8 said commission shall report to the legislature at each regular
9 session, and from time to time thereafter as said commission may
10 deem proper, an account of its transactions, and its advice and
11 recommendations for legislation. This report shall be printed for
12 presentation to each legislature.

Sec. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are
2 hereby repealed.
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this .......... day of ............... 1931.

Governor.