ENROLLED BILL
(EXTRAORDINARY SESSION, 1933)

House Bill No. 6

(By Mr. Harris (Mr. Speaker))

Passed April 24, 1933

In Effect ninety days from passage
AN ACT providing for the creation and equipment of an interim committee on efficiency and economy, the creation of a citizens’ advisory committee, and designating the powers and duties of each.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That as soon as practicable after the passage of this act the governor shall commence an examination and analysis of the legal, political and economic aspects of state and local government in West Virginia.

Sec. 2. It shall be his duty, working through the agencies hereinafter designated or created to examine and analyze the structure, functions and relationships of state and local
government in West Virginia; and to recommend what, if any,
changes should be made to promote efficiency and economy in
the public service, including:
(a) A survey of the administrative organization of the
state government; the functions and activities of the several
departments; the budgeting, purchasing and personnel
methods now in use; and the relation of state services to
counties, districts and municipalities;
(b) A study of the structure, services and finance of local
government in West Virginia to see in what ways the organiza-
tion can be improved, what services can be abandoned, re-
duced or reallocated, and what changes in financial manage-
ment should be provided;
(c) A survey of the industrial-economic structure of the
state, and of its present and potential sources of industrial
wealth; an analysis of the incidence and effect of the various
types and methods of taxation, with the object of disclosing
the most advantageous means of providing the revenue neces-
sary for the operation of state and local government, and of
promoting industrial progress and development to the end that
the rich heritage of natural endowments of this state may in-
increasingly be the source of livelihood and wealth to its citizens;

(d) A study of the judicial process and its relation to state and local government and to the industrial and economic structure of the state; a survey of the administration of justice to gather adequate data concerning the preservation of individual interests, the security and promotion of business enterprise and the efficient and effective conduct of the judicial system; the development of a service for embodying the results of these studies in usable form for legislative consideration;

(e) Any other examination or analysis pertaining to the legal, political or economic problems of state and local government in West Virginia that the governor may direct.

Sec. 3. There is hereby created an interim committee on efficiency and economy to serve without compensation, to be composed of the governor, who shall be chairman of the committee, the president of the senate, and two other members of the senate appointed by him; and the speaker of the house of delegates, and two other members of the house of delegates appointed by him. In addition, there shall be six other mem-
bers, to be appointed by the governor and selected as follows:

One member shall be chosen from each congressional district in the state; in choosing such members the governor shall give consideration to the various industrial, commercial and professional interests in the state; and no such member shall hold any office of profit or trust in the public service of the state or of its subdivisions during his tenure on the committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to cooperate in an advisory capacity with the governor in such manner as he may direct in carrying out the provisions of this act.

Sec. 4. The governor is further authorized and directed to appoint a citizens' advisory committee to serve without compensation and to be composed of two men and two women, from each senatorial district of the state. The governor shall be chairman of such committee, which shall meet at his call at such time and place as he may determine and serve such advisory purposes as he may deem expedient in carrying out the provisions of this act.

Sec. 5. The bureau for legal research, the bureau for government research and the industrial science division of West Virginia university are hereby designated as staff agencies to
the governor and to the interim committee on efficiency and economy to undertake, at the direction of the governor and the committee, such examination and analyses as may be authorized herein, but no member of the university shall receive compensation from the state for additional services that may be rendered under this act other than that provided through the governing authorities of the university. The interim committee on efficiency and economy shall organize with the governor as chairman and choose a secretary from its membership. It shall have authority to establish rules of procedure, to administer oaths of affirmations, to issue process, compel the attendance of witnesses, and the production of papers and records, to hold hearings and take testimony, and to employ all means and do all things necessary and appropriate to the performance of its duties. It shall, in addition, be provided with adequate office facilities in the state capitol building. The committee shall report the results of its study to the next regular or special session of the legislature, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry its recommendations into effect.
CORRECTLY ENROLLED

Chairman, Senate Committee.

Dr. M. Viner
Speaker of the House of Delegates

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Chairman, House Committee.

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The within is approved

this 25th day of April, 1933.

Governor.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State of West Virginia, APR 26, 1933
Wm. S. O'Brien, Secretary of State.