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SENATE BILL No. 101

(By Mr. Randolph)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact chapter fifteen, acts of the Legislature of West Virginia, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-six. relating to the West Virginia commission on interstate cooperation.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter fifteen, acts of the Legislature of West Virginia, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-six, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

- Section 1. There is hereby established a standing com-
- 2 mittee of the senate of this state, to be officially known as
- 3 the "senate committee on interstate cooperation," and to

- 4 consist of five senators. The members and the chairman of
- 5 this committee shall be designated in the same manner as
- 6 is customary in the case of the members and chairman of
- 7 other standing committees of the senate. In addition to the
- 8 regular members, the president of the senate shall be ex
- 9 officio an honorary non-voting member of this committee.
  - Sec. 2. There is hereby established a similar standing
- 2 committee of the house of delegates of this state, to be
- 3 officially known as the "house committee on interstate
- 4 cooperation," to consist of five members of the house of
- 5 delegates. The members and the chairman of this com-
- 6 mittee shall be designated in the same manner as is customary
- 7 in the case of the members and chairman of other stand-
- 8 ing committees of the house of delegates. In addition to
- 9 the regular members, the speaker of the house of delegates
- 10 shall be ex officio an honorary non-voting member of this
- 11 committee.
  - Sec. 3. There is hereby established a committee of ad-
  - 2 ministrative officials and employees of this state to be
  - 3 officially known as the "governor's committee on interstate
  - 4 cooperation," and to consist of five members. Its members

- 5 shall be: the budget director or the corresponding official
- 6 of this state, ex officio; the attorney general, ex officio; and
- 7 three other administrative officials or employees to be desig-
- 8 nated by the governor. If there is uncertainty as to the
- 9 identity of any of the ex officio members of this committee,
- 10 the governor shall determine the question, and his determina-
- 11 tion and designation shall be conclusive. The governor shall
- 12 appoint one of the five of this committee as its chairman.
- 13 In addition to the regular members, the governor shall
- 14 be ex officio an honorary non-voting member of this com-
- 15 mittee.
- Sec. 4. There is hereby established the West Virginia
- 2 commission on interstate cooperation. This commission shall
- 3 be composed of fifteen regular members, namely:
  - 4 The five members of the senate committee on interstate
  - 5 cooperation;
  - 6 The five members of the house committee on interstate
- 7 cooperation; and
  - 8 The five members of the governor's committee on inter-
- 9 state cooperation.
- 10 The governor, the president of the senate and the speaker

- 11 of the house of delegates shall be ex officio honorary non-
- 12 voting members of this commission. The chairman of the
- 13 governor's committee on interstate cooperation shall be ex
- 14 officio chairman of this commission.
  - Sec. 5. The said standing committee of the senate and
- 2 the said standing committee of the house of delegates shall
- 3 function during the regular sessions of the legislature and
- 4 also during the interim periods between such sessions;
- 5 their members shall serve until their successors are desig-
- 6 nated; and they shall respectively constitute for this state
- 7 the senate council and house council of the American legis-
- 8 lators' association. The incumbency of each administrative
- 9 member of this commission shall extend until the first day
- 10 of February next following his appointment, and there-
- 11 after until his successor is appointed.
  - Sec. 6. It shall be the function of this commission:
- 2 (1) To carry forward the participation of this state as
- 3 a member of the council of state governments.
- 4 (2) To encourage and assist the legislative, executive,
- 5 administrative and judicial officials and employees of this
- 6 state to develop and maintain friendly contact by corre-

- 7 spondence, by conference, and otherwise, with officials and
- 8 employees of the other states, of the federal government,
- 9 and of local units of government.
- 10 (3) To endeavor to advance cooperation between this
- 11 state and other units of government whenever it seems
- 12 advisable to do so by formulating proposals for, and by
- 13 facilitating:
- 14 (a) The adoption of compacts,
- 15 (b) The enactment of uniform or reciprocal statutes,
- 16 (c) The adoption of uniform or reciprocal administrative
- 17 rules and regulations,
- 18 (d) The informal cooperation of governmental offices with
- 19 one another.
- 20 (e) The personal cooperation of governmental officials and
- 21 employees with one another, individually,
- 22 (f) The institution and consummation of a federal long-
- 23 range program of flood control, meeting the requirements
- 24 of the federal flood control acts of one thousand nine hundred
- 25 thirty-six or other acts of congress relative thereto,
- 26 (g) The interchange and clearance of research and in-
- 27 formation, and

- 28 (h) Any other suitable process.
- 29 (4) In short, to do all such acts as will in the opinion
- 30 of this commission, enable this state to do its part, or more
- 31 than its part, in forming a more perfect union among the
- 32 various governments in the United States and in developing
- 33 the council of state governments for that purpose.
  - Sec. 7. The commission shall establish such delegations
- 2 and committees as it deems advisable, in order that they
- 3 may confer and formulate proposals concerning effective
- 4 means to secure intergovernmental harmony, and may per-
- 5 form other functions for the commission in obedience to
- 6 its decisions. Subject to the approval of the commission,
- 7 the member or members of each such delegation or com-
- 8 mittee shall be appointed by the chairman of the commis-
- 9 sion. State officials or employees who are not members of
- 10 the commission on interstate cooperation may be appointed
- 11 as members of any such delegation or committee, but private
- 12 citizens holding no governmental position in this state shall
- 13 not be eligible. The commission may provide such other
- 14 rules as it considers appropriate concerning the member-
- 15 ship and the functioning of any such delegation or com-

- 16 mittee. The commission may provide for advisory boards
- 17 for itself and for its various delegations and committees,
- 18 and may authorize private citizens to serve on such boards.
  - Sec. 8. The committees and the commission established
- 2 by this act shall be informally known, respectively, as the
- 3 "senate cooperation committee," the "house cooperation
- 4 committee," the "governor's cooperation committee" and
- 5 the "West Virginia cooperation commission."
  - Sec. 9. If any clause or other portion of this act is
- 2 held to be invalid, that decision shall not affect the validity
- 3 of the remaining portions of this act. The legislature here-
- 4 by declares that all such remaining portions of this act are
- 5 severable, and that it would have enacted such remaining
- 6 portions if the invalid portions had not been included in
- 7 this act.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled. Chairman Senate Committee Chairman House Committee Originated in the..... Takes effect..... Clerk of the Senate Clerk of the House of Delegate President of the Sepate Speaker House of Delegates ....this the.... The within. Governor JARRETT PRINTING COMPANY, CHARLESTON, W. VA.

of West Virginia. MAR 191937
Wm. S. O'BRIEN,
Secretary of State