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AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article seven, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended and reenacted by chapter eleven, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, and by chapter forty, acts of the Legislature, second extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, relating to salaries for teachers.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article seven, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended and reenacted by chapter eleven, acts of the Legislature, first extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, and by chapter forty, acts of the Legislature, second extraordinary

session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Article 7. Teachers.

Section 2. *Salaries for Teachers; Basic Salaries; Advanced*

2 *Salaries.* Boards of education shall fix the rates of salary
3 to be paid teachers in accordance with the following classifi-
4 cations and requirements:

5 (a) Basic salaries shall be the salaries fixed for teachers
6 who are teaching their first regular term of school. Such
7 salaries shall be fixed according to the following schedule:

8 (1) For teachers holding certificates of the rank of second
9 grade, not less than sixty-five dollars a month;

10 (2) For teachers holding certificates of the rank of first
11 grade, secured by examination or on credentials not equiva-
12 lent to a short normal course of study, not less than eighty-
13 five dollars a month;

14 (3) For teachers who have completed the short normal
15 course or the normal training course in an approved high
16 school, at least five dollars a month more than the rate fixed
17 for teachers holding certificates of the rank of first grade
18 secured by examination;

19 (4) For teachers who have completed the diploma course
20 of study in a standard normal school, or who have had, in
21 the opinion of the state board of education, equivalent train-
22 ing, at least fifteen dollars a month more than the rate fixed
23 for teachers holding certificates of the rank of first grade
24 secured by examination;

25 (5) For teachers with a bachelor's degree earned in an
26 approved institution holding a collegiate elementary, first
27 class high school, or other certificate of equal rank, at least
28 twenty-five dollars per month more than the rate fixed for
29 teachers holding certificates of the rank of first grade, secured
30 by examination;

31 (6) For teachers who have received a master's degree in
32 an institution qualified and approved to do graduate work,
33 holding the collegiate elementary, first class high school, or
34 other certificate of equal rank, at least thirty-five dollars a
35 month more than the rate fixed for teachers holding certifi-
36 cates of the rank of first grade, secured by examination;

37 (7) For teachers who have received a doctor's degree from
38 an approved institution of university rank, at least forty-five
39 dollars a month more than the rate fixed for teachers holding

40 certificates of the rank of first grade secured by examination.

41 (b) Advanced salaries shall be the salaries fixed for
42 teachers who have taught one or more regular terms of school.

43 Such salaries shall be fixed according to the following schedule :

44 (1) For teachers who have taught one regular term of
45 school and not more than five regular terms, the rate of
46 salary shall be the basic salary plus at least three dollars a
47 month for the second term ; the basic salary plus at least
48 five dollars a month for the third term ; the basic salary plus
49 at least seven dollars and fifty cents for the fourth term ;
50 and the basic salary plus at least ten dollars a month for the
51 fifty term ;

52 (2) For teachers who have taught five regular terms of
53 school and less than ten regular terms, the rate of salary shall
54 be at least fifteen dollars more a month than the rate of the
55 basic salary of teachers holding similar credentials ;

56 (3) For teachers who have taught ten regular terms of
57 school or more, the rate of salary shall be at least twenty
58 dollars a month more than the rate of the basic salary for
59 teachers holding similar credentials.

60 If a teacher who has taught one or more terms secures a

61 diploma in the first grade certificate course, the short normal
62 course, the standard normal course, in an approved collegiate
63 course, or for a master's degree, his advanced salary shall
64 be increased by at least as much as is allowed for such prepara-
65 tion in each case in fixing basic salaries.

66 Basic salaries shall be uniform throughout the district for
67 teachers holding similar credentials, and advanced salaries
68 shall be uniform throughout the district for teachers in the
69 same classifications as to experience, and holding similar
70 credentials. But boards of education may fix higher salaries
71 for principals of elementary and high schools, and any teachers
72 assigned to or employed for duties in addition to their regular
73 teaching duties, consistent with the extra duties and responsi-
74 bilities of said positions.

75 In determining the number of regular terms of school a
76 teacher has taught, boards of education shall credit as regular
77 teaching service in the United States army and navy in the
78 world war, and active work in educational positions other
79 than teaching, but no teacher shall be given credit for teach-
80 ing more than one regular term in any school year. Salaries
81 of colored teachers shall be the same as the salaries of other

82 teachers in the same district, with the same training and
83 experience and holding similar credentials. Any board of
84 education failing to comply with the provisions of this para-
85 graph may be compelled to do so by mandamus.

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

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The within *approved* this the *16th*

day of *March*, 1933.

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Wm. S. O'BRIEN, Secretary of State