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SENATE BILL NO. 21

(By Mr. [Signature])

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Senate Bill No. 21
(By Mr. McKown)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section three, article two, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended by chapter one hundred six, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine, relating to the appointment of an inspector, other commissioned officers, non-commissioned officers, troopers and civilian employees; and to the forming of companies or platoons, training of members of the department of public safety and other police officers and to salaries and bonds of members.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section three, article two, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last
amended by chapter one hundred six, acts of the Legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 3. *Companies and Platoons and How Constituted; Training of Members and Other Peace Officers; Salaries and Bonds of Members.*—The superintendent shall create, appoint and equip a department of public safety which shall, in addition to the personnel provided for in section two of this article, consist of four companies or platoons. Each company or platoon shall be composed of one captain, one lieutenant, one first sergeant, five sergeants, ten corporals and such number of troopers as the superintendent may decide best, but such number of troopers in any company or platoon shall not at any time be less than twenty-five nor more than sixty-five.

The superintendent shall provide adequate facilities for the training of all members of the department and shall prescribe a basic training course for newly enlisted members. He shall also provide advanced or in service training from time to time for all members of the de-
partment. The superintendent may, in his discretion, hold training classes for other peace officers in the state without cost to such officers, except actual expenses for food, lodging and school supplies.

Members of the department shall receive salaries, as follows:

The inspector shall receive an annual salary of four thousand nine hundred twenty dollars; captains shall receive an annual salary of four thousand one hundred forty dollars; lieutenants shall each receive an annual salary of three thousand eight hundred forty dollars; the master sergeants, master technical sergeants and first sergeants shall each receive an annual salary of three thousand four hundred eighty dollars; technical sergeants shall each receive an annual salary of three thousand four hundred twenty dollars; sergeants and sergeant technicians shall each receive an annual salary of three thousand three hundred dollars; corporals and corporal technicians shall each receive an annual salary of three thousand one hundred eighty dollars; and each newly enlisted trooper shall receive a salary of one hun-
dred seventy-five dollars during the period of his basic
training and upon the satisfactory completion of such
training and assignment to active duty each such trooper
shall receive, during the remainder of his first year's
service, a salary of two hundred twenty-five dollars
monthly. During the second year of his service in the
department each trooper shall receive an annual salary
of two thousand eight hundred twenty dollars; during
the third year of his service each trooper shall receive an
annual salary of two thousand nine hundred forty dol-
lars; and during the fourth year of his service and there-
after as long as he shall remain at the grade of trooper,
each trooper shall receive an annual salary of three thou-
sand sixty dollars.

In applying the foregoing salary schedule where sal-
ary increases are provided for continuous service, mem-
ers of the department in service at the time this article
becomes effective shall be given credit for prior service
and shall be paid such salaries as the same length of
service will entitle them to receive under the provisions
hereof.
Each member of the department of public safety, except the superintendent and civilian employees, shall, before entering upon the discharge of his duties, execute a bond with security in the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars payable to the state of West Virginia, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as such, and such bond shall be approved as to form by the attorney general, and as to sufficiency by the board of public works and the same shall be filed with the secretary of state and preserved in his office.
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The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect July 1, 1951

Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

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President of the Senate

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Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 10th day of March, 1951.

[Signature]

Governor

[Stamp: 'Heard in the office of the Secretary of State of West Virginia, MAR 10, 1951. D. Pitt O'Brien, Secretary of State.']