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AN ACT to amend and reenact section five and sections five-(one) through five-(fifty-four), inclusive, article one, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended, relating to compensation of county commissioners for services other than services in court.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section five and sections five-(one) through five-(fifty-four), inclusive, article one, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 5. Duties of County Commissioners and Payment for Services Other than Services in Court.—It shall be the duty of the county commissioners of each county to visit each quarter and inspect institutions within their
county for housing and caring for the poor, to inspect the jails, and to arrange for the feeding and care of the prisoners therein, and to investigate the conditions of the poor within their county, not housed within such institutions; to visit detention homes for children within their counties, if any, and to visit and inspect bridges and bridge approaches under their control; to provide for and have general supervision over the repair and maintenance of the county courthouse, jails, houses for the poor and other county property, so as to prevent the undue deterioration thereof; to supervise and control the maintenance and operation of airport or airports owned and/or operated by the county court; and to supervise and control the purchase, erection and maintenance of airport facilities; to supervise and control the purchase of furniture, fixtures and equipment, and janitors' and other supplies, for their county; to attend the annual meeting of county assessors, and such district meetings as may be called by the state tax commissioner, on matters pertaining to the work of the county assessors and county courts as boards of review and equalization; to review
and equalize the assessments made by the assessor; to inspect and review the lists of property both real and personal, made up by the assessor and his deputies for taxable purposes, and to point out to the assessor any property, real or personal, which the said assessors of their respective counties may have overlooked or omitted to place on said tax lists; to call to the attention of the assessor all real estate or personal property belonging to churches, lodges, schools or other charitable institutions which may have been overlooked or omitted by the assessor or his deputies in making up his lists of property for entry on the land and personal property books; to cooperate with the county public assistance council and supervise the general management of the fiscal affairs and business of each county; and as a further part of their duties they shall be empowered to purchase, lease, rent, control, supervise, inspect, maintain and erect public parks, playgrounds, and recreational facilities, to purchase, lease or rent equipment therefor, and to employ qualified recreational directors and personnel, and constructing new Four-H camps on county property, op-
erating stone quarries and sand deposits on county owned
or leased property; constructing buildings for or aiding
in construction and/or equipping civilian defense build-
ings on sites approved by state office of civilian defense;
operating dog pounds for county-municipalities.
Compensation shall be allowed and paid out of the
county treasury, in the same manner as salaries are paid,
to each county commissioner of each county (except as
otherwise provided by law for the county of Ohio), for
services performed for such county concerning the visit-
ing of the poor, inspection of jails, bridges and bridge
approaches, and for visiting detention homes for children;
and for providing for and supervising the repair and
maintenance of the county courthouse, jails, houses for
the poor, and other county property, for supervising
and controlling the maintenance and operation of air-
port or airports owned by and/or operated by the county
court; and supervising and controlling the purchase,
errection and maintenance of airport facilities; and for
supervising and controlling the purchase of furniture,
fixtures and equipment and janitors’ and other supplies
of their county; and for attending the annual meeting of
assessors and such district meetings as may be called by
the state tax commissioner, on matters pertaining to the
work of assessors and county courts as boards of review
and equalization; for reviewing and equalizing the assess-
ments made by the assessors; for inspecting and review-
ing the lists of property, both real and personal, made up
by the assessor and his deputies for taxable purposes,
and for pointing out to the assessor any property, real
and personal, which the said assessors of their respective
counties may have overlooked or omitted to place on said
tax lists; for calling to the attention of the assessor all
real estate or personal property belonging to churches,
lodges, schools or other charitable institutions which may
have been overlooked or omitted by the assessor or his
deputies in making up his lists of property for entry on
the land and personal property books; and for duties of
the county commissioners in cooperating with the county
public assistance council, for purchasing, leasing, rent-
ing, controlling, supervising, inspecting, maintaining and
erecting public parks, playgrounds, and recreational fa-
cilities, and the purchasing, leasing, or renting the equip-
ment therefor, and employing qualified recreational di-
rectors and personnel therefor, and constructing new
Four-H camps on county property, operating stone quar-
ries and sand deposits on county owned or leased prop-
erty; constructing buildings for or aiding in construction
and/or equipping civilian defense buildings on sites ap-
proved by state office or civilian defense; operating dog
pounds for county-municipalities and for supervising
the general management of the fiscal affairs and busi-
ness of each county, within their counties, and other
business by such commissioners, in addition to compen-
sation for services in court, the sums of money herein-
after provided in the following sections five-(one) to five-
(fifty-four), inclusive.

Sec. 5-(1). Compensation of County Commissioners—

Barbour County.—For the county of Barbour, seventy-
five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(2). Berkeley County.—For the county of Berke-
ley, the president of the court one hundred twenty-five
dollars and other members of the court one hundred dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(3). **Boone County.**—For the county of Boone, the president of the court one hundred fifteen dollars and the other members of the court ninety dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(4). **Braxton County.**—For the county of Braxton, sixty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(5). **Brooke County.**—For the county of Brooke, one hundred dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(6). **Cabell County.**—For the county of Cabell, two hundred dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(7). **Calhoun County.**—For the county of Calhoun, fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(8). **Clay County.**—For the county of Clay, forty-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(9). **Doddridge County.**—For the county of Doddridge, fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(10). **Fayette County.**—For the county of Fayette, two hundred fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(11). **Gilmer County.**—For the county of Gilmer, fifty dollars per month.
Sec. 5-(12). Grant County.—For the county of Grant, thirty-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(13). Greenbrier County.—For the county of Greenbrier, seventy-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(14). Hampshire County.—For the county of Hampshire, the president of the court seventy-five dollars and the other members of the court fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(15). Hancock County.—For the county of Hancock, one hundred fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(16). Hardy County.—For the county of Hardy, fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(17). Harrison County.—For the county of Harrison, two hundred seventy-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(18). Jackson County.—For the county of Jackson, seventy-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(19). Jefferson County.—For the county of Jefferson, the president of the court one hundred twenty-five dollars and the other members of the court one hundred dollars per month.
Sec. 5-(20).  *Kanawha County.*—For the county of Kanawha, four hundred seventy-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(21).  *Lewis County.*—For the county of Lewis, one hundred dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(22).  *Lincoln County.*—For the county of Lincoln, one hundred twenty-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(23).  *Logan County.*—For the county of Logan, the president of the court, two hundred fifty dollars and the other members of the court two hundred twenty-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(24).  *Marion County.*—For the county of Marion, three hundred fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(25).  *Marshall County.*—For the county of Marshall, one hundred dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(26).  *Mason County.*—For the county of Mason, seventy-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(27).  *McDowell County.*—For the county of McDowell, two hundred dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(28).  *Mercer County.*—For the county of Mercer, the president of the court two hundred seventy-five
3 dollars and the other members of the court two hundred twenty-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(29). Mineral County.—For the county of Mineral, the president of the court eighty-five dollars and the other members of the court seventy-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(30). Mingo County.—For the county of Mingo, one hundred seventy-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(31). Morgan County.—For the county of Morgan, fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(32). Monroe County.—For the county of Monroe, fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(33). Monongalia County.—For the county of Monongalia, two hundred dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(34). Nicholas County.—For the county of Nicholas, fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(35). Pendleton County.—For the county of Pendleton, thirty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(36). Pleasants County.—For the county of Pleasants, forty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(37). Pocahontas County.—For the county of Pocahontas, twenty-five dollars per month.
Sec. 5-(38). *Preston County.*—For the county of Preston, the president of the county court sixty-five dollars, and other members of the court fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(39). *Putnam County.*—For the county of Putnam, one hundred dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(40). *Raleigh County.*—For the county of Raleigh, the president of the county court two hundred dollars per month, and other members of the court one hundred ninety dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(41). *Randolph County.*—For the county of Randolph, one hundred dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(42). *Ritchie County.*—For the county of Ritchie, fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(43). *Roane County.*—For the county of Roane, sixty-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(44). *Summers County.*—For the county of Summers, sixty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(45). *Taylor County.*—For the county of Taylor, fifty-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(46). *Tucker County.*—For the county of Tucker, thirty-five dollars per month.
Sec. 5-(47). *Tyler County.*—For the county of Tyler, 2 sixty-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(48). *Upshur County.*—For the county of Upshur, fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(49). *Wayne County.*—For the county of Wayne, one hundred fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(50). *Webster County.*—For the county of Webster, seventy-five dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(51). *Wetzel County.*—For the county of Wetzel, eighty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(52). *Wirt County.*—For the county of Wirt, thirty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(53). *Wood County.*—For the county of Wood, two hundred fifty dollars per month.

Sec. 5-(54). *Wyoming County.*—For the county of Wyoming, one hundred fifty dollars per month.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 17 day of March, 1955.

Governor

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D. Pitt O'Brien
Secretary of State