WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1961

ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 417

(By Mr. Singleton and Mr. Peetherton)

PASSED March 15, 1961

In Effect July 1, 1961
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House Bill No. 412

(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Singleton, and Mr. Brotherton)

[Passed March 11, 1961; in effect July 1, 1961.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article one, chapter nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, and to amend and reenact sections one and five, article three of said chapter, all relating to abolishing the department of public assistance and the office of director of public assistance; creating the department of welfare and the office of commissioner of welfare in lieu thereof, and providing compensation therefore.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article one, chapter nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and sections one and five, article three of said chapter, be amended and reenacted all to read as follows:

Section 2. State Department of Welfare.—There is hereby created the state department of welfare which shall have and is hereby granted all the powers, authority and duties performed by the department of public assistance which department is hereby abolished. Wherever in this chapter or elsewhere in law reference is made to the department of public assistance such reference shall henceforth be construed and understood to mean the state department of welfare.


Section 1. Commissioner of Welfare.—The office of state commissioner of welfare is hereby created. The commissioner shall have and is hereby granted all of the powers and authority and shall perform all of the functions and duties vested in and performed by the director of public assistance which office is hereby abolished. Wherever in this chapter or elsewhere in law reference is made to the director of public assistance such reference shall henceforth be construed and understood to mean the state commissioner of welfare.

The commissioner shall be appointed by the governor,
with the advice and consent of the senate, for a term of six years, unless removed by the governor. Any appointment to fill a vacancy shall be for the unexpired term.

Sec. 5. *Compensation.*—The commissioner shall receive an annual salary of eight thousand dollars and, in addition, the necessary traveling expenses incident to the performance of his duties. Requisitions for traveling expenses shall be accompanied by a sworn and itemized statement which shall be filed with the auditor and preserved as a public record.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect July 1, 1961, passage.

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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 17th
day of March, 1961.