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#### SENATE BILL NO. 260

(By Mr. Caism, Mr. Prisident and Mr. Brotherton)

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(By MR. CARSON, MR. PRESIDENT, and MR. BROTHERTON)

[Passed March 11, 1967; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article one, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, providing for the continuation of the office of tax commissioner under the designation of "state tax department" and relating to the tax commissioner and his appointment, authority, duties and responsibilities.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article one, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1. SUPERVISION.

## §11-1-1. Tax commissioner; appointment of assistant attorneys general to perform duties for tax commissioner.

The office of the tax commissioner shall be continued in all respects as heretofore constituted in the state 2 3 government, but is hereby designated as the state tax department. The tax commissioner shall be the chief 4 executive officer of the department and shall be appointed 5 by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of 6 the Senate, to serve at the will and pleasure of the gov-7 8 ernor for the term for which the governor was elected 9 and until a successor has been appointed and has qualified. The tax commissioner in office when the section 10 11 takes effect shall, unless sooner removed, continue to serve until his term expires, and his successor has been 12 appointed and has qualified. 13

14 The tax commissioner, before entering upon the duties 15 of his office, shall take the oath or affirmation prescribed 16 by section five of article four of the constitution. He 17 shall give bond with good security, to be approved by the 18 governor, in the penalty of five thousand dollars. The sal-

ary of the tax commissioner shall be sixteen thousand dollars a year. He shall be repaid his actual disbursements
for traveling expenses. He shall be provided with an office
in the capitol and with such furniture and clerical assistance as shall be necessary.

24 The tax commissioner shall have control and supervision 25 of the state tax department and shall be responsible for 26 the work of each of its divisions. Each division shall be 27 headed by a director appointed by the tax commissioner 28 and who shall be responsible to the tax commissioner for the work of his division. The tax commissioner may create 29 such divisions and employ such staff or employees as may 30 31 be necessary to administer the state tax laws for which he or his department is responsible, and he shall have the au-32 33 thority to appoint an assistant tax commissioner who shall be his principal assistant. The powers and duties vested 34 35 in the tax commissioner by this chapter and other provi-36 sions of law may be delegated by him to such assistant or other employees, but the tax commissioner shall be re-37 38 sponsible for all official acts of such delegates.

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39 The tax commissioner, if he deems such action neces-40 sary, may request the attorney general to appoint assistant 41 attorneys general who shall perform such duties as may 42 be required by the tax commissioner. The attorney gen-43 eral, in pursuance of such request, may select and appoint 44 assistant attorneys general, to serve during the will and pleasure of the attorney general, and such assistants shall 45 be paid out of any funds made available for that purpose 46 by the Legislature to the state tax department. 47

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

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