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(By Mr. Carson, M. President)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact article one-b, chapter twenty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the commission on interstate cooperation, the membership of said commission and its duties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

**ARTICLE 1B. COMMISSION ON INTERSTATE
COOPERATION.**

§29-1B-1. Senate committee on interstate cooperation.

There is hereby established a standing committee of the

2 Senate of this state, to be officially known as the "Senate
3 Committee on Interstate Cooperation", and to consist of
4 seven senators. The members and the chairman of this
5 committee shall be designated in the same manner as is
6 customary in the case of the members and chairmen of
7 other standing committees of the Senate. In addition to
8 the regular members, the president of the Senate shall be
9 ex officio an honorary nonvoting member of this com-
10 mittee.

§29-1B-2. House committee on interstate cooperation.

There is hereby established a similar standing com-
2 mittee of the House of Delegates of this state, to be offi-
3 cially known as the "House Committee on Interstate Co-
4 operation", to consist of seven members of the House of
5 Delegates. The members and the chairman of this com-
6 mittee shall be designated in the same manner as is cus-
7 tomary in the case of the members and chairmen of other
8 standing committees of the House of Delegates. In addi-
9 tion to the regular members, the speaker of the House of
10 Delegates shall be ex officio an honorary nonvoting mem-
11 ber of this committee.

§29-1B-3. West Virginia commission on interstate cooperation.

There is hereby established the West Virginia commission on interstate cooperation. This commission shall be composed of fourteen regular members, namely:

The seven members of the Senate committee on interstate cooperation; and

The seven members of the house committee on interstate cooperation.

The president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Delegates shall be ex officio honorary nonvoting members of this commission and as such shall serve as co-chairmen thereof.

§29-1B-4. Terms of Senate and house committees.

The said standing committee of the Senate and the said standing committee of the House of Delegates shall function during the regular sessions of the Legislature and also during the interim periods between such sessions; their members shall serve until their successors are designated; and they shall respectively constitute for this state the Senate council and house council of the American legislators' association.

§29-1B-5. Function of commission.

It shall be the function of this commission:

2 (1) To carry forward the participation of this state as
3 a member of the council of state governments.

4 (2) To encourage and assist the legislative, executive,
5 administrative and judicial officials and employees of this
6 state to develop and maintain friendly contact by cor-
7 respondence, by conference, and otherwise, with officials
8 and employees of the other states of the federal govern-
9 ment, and of local units of government.

10 (3) To endeavor to advance cooperation between this
11 state and other units of government whenever it seems
12 advisable to do so by formulating proposals for, and by
13 facilitating:

14 (a) The adoption of compacts,

15 (b) The enactment of uniform or reciprocal stat-
16 utes,

17 (c) The adoption of uniform or reciprocal admin-
18 istrative rules and regulations,

19 (d) The informal cooperation of governmental
20 offices with one another,

21 (e) The personal cooperation of governmental
22 officials and employees with one another, individually,

23 (f) The institution and consummation of a federal
24 long-range program of flood control, meeting the require-
25 ments of the federal flood control acts of one thousand
26 nine hundred thirty-six or other acts of Congress relative
27 thereto,

28 (g) The interchange and clearance of research and
29 information, and

30 (h) Any other suitable process.

31 (4) To perform such duties as from time to time may
32 be assigned to it by the joint committee on government
33 and finance and to cooperate with the joint committee on
34 government and finance in joint interim studies.

35 (5) In short, to do all such acts as will, in the opinion
36 of this commission, enable this state to do its part, or more
37 than its part, in forming a more perfect union among the
38 various governments in the United States and in develop-
39 ing the council of state governments for that purpose.

**§29-1B-6. Commission may establish delegations and
committees.**

The commission shall establish such delegations and

2 committees as it deems advisable, in order that they may
3 confer and formulate proposals concerning effective
4 means to secure intergovernmental harmony, and may
5 perform other functions for the commission in obedience
6 to its decisions. Subject to the approval of the commis-
7 sion, the member or members of each such delegation or
8 committee shall be appointed by the chairman of the
9 commission. State officials or employees who are not
10 members of the commission on interstate cooperation
11 may be appointed as members of any such delegation or
12 committee, but private citizens holding no governmental
13 position in this state shall not be eligible. The commission
14 may provide such other rules as it considers appropriate
15 concerning the membership and the functioning of any
16 such delegation or committee. The commission may pro-
17 vide for advisory boards for itself and for its various
18 delegations and committees, and may authorize private
19 citizens to serve on such boards.

§29-1B-7. Names of committees and commission.

The committees and the commission established by this
2 article shall be informally known, respectively, as the

3 "Senate Cooperation Committee", the "House Cooperation
4 Committee", and the "West Virginia Cooperation Com-
5 mission".

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

William Tempas
Chairman Senate Committee

Clayton C. Davidson
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect from passage.

Thomas Keegan
Clerk of the Senate

C. A. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Howard W. Carson
President of the Senate

H. Leban White
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 17
day of March, 1967.

Herbert C. Smith
Governor

**PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR**

Date 3/17/67

Time 2:50 p.m.