

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE  
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HOUSE BILL No. 756

(By Mr. SEIBERT)



PASSED MARCH 13, 1971

In Effect JULY 1, 1971 Passage



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AN ACT to amend and reenact section three, article one, chapter twenty-four of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to appointment, duties and compensation of the secretary and other employees of the public service commission or public utilities commission and specifying that any commissioner or director of any division of the commission shall devote full time to the performance of his duties as such commissioner or employee during the regular working hours as set by the commission.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

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

**ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.****§24-1-3. Appointment, duties and compensation of secretary and other employees; outside employment by certain employees prohibited.**

1 The commission shall appoint a secretary and such  
2 other employees as may be necessary to carry out the  
3 provisions of this chapter and shall fix their respective  
4 salaries or compensations. It shall be the duty of the  
5 secretary to keep a full and true record of all proceed-  
6 ings, acts, orders and judgments of the commission, to  
7 issue all necessary process, returns and notices, to keep  
8 all books, maps, documents and papers ordered filed  
9 by the commission, and all orders made by the com-  
10 mission or approved and confirmed by it and ordered  
11 to be filed; and he shall be responsible to the commis-  
12 sion for the safe custody and preservation of all such  
13 documents in his office. He may administer oaths in all  
14 parts of the state, so far as the exercise of such power  
15 is properly incidental to the performance of his duty  
16 or that of the commission.

17 The commission may designate such of its employees  
18 as it deems necessary to hold hearings, held or required

19 by this chapter, and to take evidence at such hearings,  
20 which employees are hereby empowered to subpoena  
21 witnesses, administer oaths, take testimony, require the  
22 production of documentary evidence and exercise such  
23 other powers and perform such other duties as may  
24 be delegated to them and required by the commission,  
25 in any proceeding or examination instituted or con-  
26 ducted by the commission under this chapter, at any  
27 designated place of hearing within the state.

28 Any commissioner or person employed by the com-  
29 mission as director of any division thereof shall devote  
30 full time to the performance of his duties as such com-  
31 missioner or employee during the regular working hours  
32 as set by the commission.

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

Russell G. Beall  
Chairman Senate Committee

Phyllis J. Rutledge  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect July 1, 1971.

Thomas Meyer  
Clerk of the Senate

C. Blankenship  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

E. Harv McKeown  
President of the Senate

Lewis N. McManus  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 1st  
day of April, 1971.

Arch A. Shaw, Jr.  
Governor



PRESENTED TO THE  
GOVERNOR

Date 3/18/71  
Time 1:55 P.M.

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