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SENATE BILL NO. 2069

*(Originating in the
(By Mr. Committee on Finance))*

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section three, article two, chapter fifteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the department of public safety; establishment of companies or platoons; composition of companies and platoons; training of members of the department; salaries and bond.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 2. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

§15-2-3. Companies and platoons; how constituted; training of members and other peace officers; salaries and bonds of members.

1 The superintendent shall create, appoint and equip a de-
2 partment of public safety, which shall, in addition to the
3 personnel provided for in section two of this article, consist
4 of four companies or platoons. They shall be designated as
5 companies "A," "B," "C" and "D". Each company or pla-
6 toon shall be composed of one captain, one lieutenant, one
7 first sergeant, seven sergeants, not more than seventeen
8 corporals and such number of troopers and troopers first
9 class as the superintendent may decide best, but such num-
10 ber of troopers and troopers first class in any company or
11 platoon shall not at any time be less than twenty-five.

12 The superintendent shall provide adequate facilities for the
13 training of all members of the department and shall pre-
14 scribe a basic training course for newly enlisted members.
15 He shall also provide advanced or in-service training from

16 time to time for all members of the department. The super-
17 intendent shall hold training classes for other peace officers
18 in the state without cost to such officers, except actual ex-
19 penses for food, lodging and school supplies.

20 Members of the department shall receive salaries, as fol-
21 lows:

22 The inspector shall receive an annual salary of thirteen
23 thousand four hundred sixty-four dollars; the major shall re-
24 ceive an annual salary of twelve thousand ninety-one dollars;
25 captains shall each receive an annual salary of ten thousand
26 thousand eight hundred twenty-four dollars; lieutenants shall
27 each receive an annual salary of ten thousand two hundred
28 seventeen dollars; the master sergeants and first sergeants
29 shall each receive an annual salary of nine thousand five
30 hundred forty-four dollars; sergeants shall each receive an an-
31 nual salary of nine thousand two hundred forty dollars;
32 corporals shall each receive an annual salary of eight thou-
33 sand eight hundred thirty-one dollars; troopers first class shall
34 receive an annual salary of eight thousand five hundred
35 forty dollars; and each newly enlisted trooper shall receive
36 a salary of five hundred eighty-seven dollars during the period
37 of his basic training, and upon the satisfactory completion of
38 such training and assignment to active duty each trooper
39 shall receive, during the remainder of his first year's service
40 a salary of six hundred fifty-eight dollars monthly. During
41 the second year of his service in the department each trooper
42 shall receive an annual salary of eight thousand sixty-five
43 dollars; during the third year of his service each trooper
44 shall receive an annual salary of eight thousand two hundred
45 thirty-seven dollars; and during the fourth and fifth years of
46 his service and for each year thereafter each trooper shall
47 receive an annual salary of eight thousand three hundred
48 ninety-five dollars. Each member of the department entitled
49 thereto by the provisions hereof shall receive an increase
50 in salary over that hereinbefore set forth in this section, for
51 grade and rank, based on length of service, including that
52 heretofore and hereafter served, with the department, as fol-
53 lows: At the end of five years of service with the depart-
54 ment, such member of the department shall receive a salary
55 increase of three hundred dollars per year to be effective
56 during his next three years of service and like increases
57 at three-year intervals thereafter, until a total of six such

58 increases shall be received and such increases shall be cum-
59 ulative.

60 In applying the foregoing salary schedule where salary in-
61 creases are provided for length of service, members of the
62 department in service at the time this article becomes ef-
63 fective shall be given credit for prior service and shall be
64 paid such salaries as the same length of service will entitle
65 them to receive under the provisions hereof.

66 Each member of the department of public safety, except
67 the superintendent and civilian employees, shall, before en-
68 tering upon the discharge of his duties, execute a bond with
69 security in the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars
70 payable to the state of West Virginia, conditioned for the
71 faithful performance of his duties as such, and such bond
72 shall be approved as to form by the attorney general, and
73 as to sufficiency by the governor, and the same shall be
74 filed with the secretary of state and preserved in his office.

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

N. Darrel Darby
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Chairman Senate Committee

Clarence C. Thurston
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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect July 1, 1973.

Hawaii Carson
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Clerk of the Senate

C. A. Blankenship
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Clerk of the House of Delegates

H. B. Bostwick
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President of the Senate

Lewis T. Thomas
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Speaker House of Delegates

The within *Approved* this the *24th*
April, 1973.
day of

Arch A. Parker, Jr.
.....
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR

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