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**WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**  
**REGULAR SESSION, 1975**

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*Committee Substitute for*

**HOUSE BILL No. 1177**

(By Mr. *Peak* and Mr. *Dameron*, 10th Dist.)

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PASSED *March 8,* 1975

In Effect *January 1, 1977* Passage



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**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE**  
**FOR**

**H. B. 1177**

(By MR. PEAK and MR. DAMRON, 10th Dist.)

[Passed March 8, 1975; in effect January 1, 1977.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section four, article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to increasing the compensation of certain county assessors, sheriffs and prosecuting attorneys.

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

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

**ARTICLE 7. TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES, ETC.; COMPENSATION OF ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS; COUNTY ASSISTANTS, DEPUTIES AND EMPLOYEES, THEIR NUMBER AND COMPENSATION.**

**§7-7-4. Compensation of elected county officials other than county commissioners for each class of county; effective date.**

1 For the purpose of determining the compensation to be paid  
2 to the elected county officials of each county, the following  
3 compensations for each county office by class are hereby es-  
4 tablished and shall be used by each county commission in  
5 determining the compensation of each of their county officials

6 other than compensation of members of the county commis-  
 7 sion:

		<b>Sheriff</b>	<b>County Clerk</b>	<b>Circuit Clerk</b>	<b>Assessor</b>	<b>Prosecuting Attorney</b>
8	Class I	\$15,000	\$19,500	\$19,500	\$15,000	\$30,000
9	Class II	\$15,000	\$15,600	\$15,600	\$15,000	\$28,000
10	Class III	\$14,000	\$15,600	\$15,600	\$15,000	\$18,000
11	Class IV	\$13,500	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$13,500	\$17,500
12	Class V	\$12,000	\$11,500	\$11,500	\$12,000	\$14,500
13	Class VI	\$ 9,500	\$ 8,300	\$ 8,300	\$ 9,500	\$10,000
14	Class VII	\$ 4,200	\$ 3,600	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,600	\$ 2,100

15 Any county clerk, circuit clerk, joint clerk of the county  
 16 commission and circuit court, if any, county assessors, sheriff  
 17 and prosecuting attorney of a Class I county and any prose-  
 18 cuting attorney of a Class II county shall devote full time to  
 19 his public duties to the exclusion of any other employment.  
 20 Notwithstanding the effective date of this section the compen-  
 21 sation provided in this section for assessors, sheriffs and prose-  
 22 cuting attorneys shall become effective January first, one  
 23 thousand nine hundred seventy-seven, and the compensation  
 24 provided for county clerks, circuit clerks and joint clerks of  
 25 county cimmissions and circuit courts shall become effective  
 26 January first, one thousand nine hundred seventy-five.

27 In the case of a county that has a joint clerk of the county  
 28 commission and circuit court, the compensation of the joint  
 29 clerk shall be fixed in an amount twenty-five percent higher  
 30 than the compensation would be fixed for the county clerk if  
 31 it had separate offices of county clerk and circuit clerk.

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

James L. Davis  
Chairman Senate Committee

Laurence Christian J.  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect January 1, 1977.

J. D. Gillon, Jr.  
Clerk of the Senate

C. A. Blankenship  
Clerk of the House of Delegates  
W. B. Rutherford  
President of the Senate

Lewis F. H. Thomas  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 24th  
day of March, 1975.

Arch A. Shaefer, Jr.  
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE  
GOVERNOR

Date 3/18/75

Time 4:15 p.m.