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**WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**  
**REGULAR SESSION, 1976**

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*Committee Substitute for*

**HOUSE BILL No. 1235**

(By Mr. *Speaker, Mr. McManus & Mr. Leibert*)

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PASSED *March 17,* \_\_\_\_\_ 1976

In Effect *July 1, 1976* \_\_\_\_\_ ~~Passage~~



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**H. B. 1235**

(By MR. SPEAKER, MR. MCMANUS, and MR. SEIBERT)

(Originating in the House Committee on Finance)

[Passed March 17, 1976; in effect July 1, 1976.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections two and two-a, article seven, chapter six of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to increasing the salaries of certain state officers and relating to increasing the salaries of certain appointive state officers; effective date; and provisions relating to filing of sworn statement by state appointive officer as to compensation relative to his employees, with state officer's increase contingent thereon.

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

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

**§6-7-2. Salaries of certain state officers.**

- 1     Effective on and after the first Monday after the second
- 2     Wednesday in January, one thousand nine hundred seventy-
- 3     seven, the salary of the governor shall be fifty thousand dollars
- 4     per year.
- 5     The salary of the attorney general shall be thirty-five thou-

6 sand dollars per year; the salary of the auditor shall be thirty-  
7 two thousand five hundred dollars per year; the salary of the  
8 secretary of state shall be thirty thousand dollars per year; the  
9 salary of the commissioner of agriculture shall be thirty-two  
10 thousand five hundred dollars per year; and the salary of the  
11 state treasurer shall be thirty-five thousand dollars per year.

**ARTICLE 7. COMPENSATION AND ALLOWANCES.**

**§6-7-2a. Terms of certain appointive state officers; appointment; qualifications; powers and salaries of such officers.**

1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the  
2 contrary, each of the following named appointive state officers  
3 shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and  
4 consent of the Senate. Each of such appointive state officers  
5 shall serve at the will and pleasure of the governor for the  
6 term for which the governor was elected and until the respec-  
7 tive state officers' successors have been appointed and quali-  
8 fied. Each of such appointive state officers shall hereafter be  
9 subject to the existing qualifications for holding each such re-  
10 spective office and each shall have and is hereby granted all  
11 of the powers and authority and shall perform all of the func-  
12 tions and services heretofore vested in and performed by virtue  
13 of existing law respecting each such office. Beginning on the  
14 first day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventy-six, the  
15 annual salary of each such named appointive state officer shall  
16 be as follows:

17 The commissioner of highways, thirty-five thousand dollars;  
18 director of mental health, thirty thousand dollars; commissioner  
19 of commerce, twenty-five thousand dollars; tax commissioner,  
20 twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars; director of depart-  
21 ment of natural resources, twenty-seven thousand five hundred  
22 dollars; commissioner of department of welfare, twenty-seven  
23 thousand five hundred dollars; alcohol beverage control com-  
24 missioner, twenty-five thousand dollars; commissioner of pub-  
25 lic institutions, twenty-five thousand dollars; commissioner  
26 of employment security, twenty-five thousand dollars; com-  
27 missioner of labor, twenty-two thousand five hundred dol-  
28 lars; director of personnel civil service commission, twenty-  
29 two thousand five hundred dollars; superintendent of de-

30 partment of public safety, twenty-two thousand five hundred  
31 dollars; insurance commissioner, twenty-two thousand five hun-  
32 dred dollars; commissioner of motor vehicles, twenty-two  
33 thousand five hundred dollars; commissioner of banking,  
34 twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars; members of the  
35 board of probation and parole, sixteen thousand dollars; non-  
36 intoxicating beer commissioner, nineteen thousand dollars; state  
37 historian and archivist, twenty thousand dollars; adjutant  
38 general, twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars; director  
39 of emergency services, eighteen thousand five hundred dollars;  
40 director of veterans affairs, twenty-one thousand five hundred  
41 dollars; members of the board of review of employment  
42 security, fourteen thousand dollars; members of workmen's  
43 compensation appeal board, fourteen thousand dollars; state  
44 workmen's compensation commissioner, twenty-five thousand  
45 dollars; finance and administration commissioner, twenty-five  
46 thousand dollars; and director of the department of mines,  
47 twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars.

48 No increase in the salary of any appointive state officer  
49 pursuant to this section shall be paid until and unless such ap-  
50 pointive state officer shall have first filed with the state auditor  
51 and the legislative auditor a sworn statement, on a form to be  
52 prescribed by the attorney general, certifying that such spend-  
53 ing unit is in compliance with any general law providing for a  
54 salary increase for his employees. The attorney general shall  
55 prepare and distribute such form to the affected spending units.

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

James L. Davis  
Chairman Senate Committee

Clarence Chestnut  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect July 1, 1976.

John Wilson, Jr.  
Clerk of the Senate

W. A. Blankenship  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

W. R. Ruffin  
President of the Senate

Lewis F. McManus  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 31<sup>st</sup>  
day of March, 1976.

Paul A. Beard, Jr.  
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE  
GOVERNOR

Date 3/25/76

Time 2:00 p.m.