WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 1981

ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 1598

(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Lee)

Passed April 8, 1981

In Effect Ninety Days From Passage
AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article one, chapter four of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, correcting a code reference to the commission on special investigations in a provision relating to interim meetings and duties of legislative committees and commissions.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article one, chapter 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. OFFICERS, MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES; APPROPRIATIONS; INVESTIGATIONS; DISPLAY OF FLAGS; RECORDS; USE OF CAPITOL BUILDING; PREFILING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS; STANDING COMMITTEES; INTERIM MEETINGS.

§4-1-1. Interim meetings of legislative committees and subcommittees; interim meeting coordination; compensation and expenses.

(a) Either house of the Legislature may, by resolution, direct any select committee unique to that house or any standing committee of that house and created by it by rule, motion or resolution to meet between regular sessions of the Legislature. The presiding officer of such house may designate subcommittees of such standing or select committees and shall designate the chairman and membership thereof. Such com-
mittees or subcommittees shall function according to the rules for committees of the house creating them.

Members of such committees or subcommittees under this subsection, performing duties as members thereof, shall receive travel expense reimbursement as provided in section six, article two-a, chapter four and interim expense reimbursement as provided in section eight, article two-a, chapter four. However, to be eligible to receive travel expense reimbursement and interim expense reimbursement, meetings of these select committees and subcommittees thereof must be authorized by the rules committee of such house. Expenses shall be paid from any appropriation to the use and benefit of the house adopting the resolution.

Such committees or subcommittees shall have such staff as may be directed by the presiding officer of that house from which its membership is drawn, which may be paid for from appropriations to the use and benefit of such house, as designated by the rules committee thereof.

(b) From the date of adjournment sine die of any regular session of the Legislature until the first day of the next succeeding regular session of the Legislature, the Legislature by concurrent resolution, or the joint committee on government and finance on its own motion, may appoint a joint standing committee or a joint select committee, or any joint subcommittee of such standing or select committee, to function under the supervision of the joint committee on government and finance. Any such committee or subcommittee shall be composed of the standing or select committees of the respective houses having similar titles or jurisdiction, and similarly constituted, and the membership thereof shall be composed of members of the respective standing or select committees of each house, or subcommittees thereof, or be designated by the presiding officer of each house: Provided, That the membership of such joint committee or subcommittee may be drawn from more than one such standing or select committee.

(c) Members of the Legislature performing interim duties as members of the joint committee on government and finance,
the commission on interstate cooperation, the joint com-
mittee on government operations, the legislative commission
on pensions and retirement, the legislative rule-making re-
view committee, the commission on special investigations,
standing committees of the Senate and of the House of
Delegates, and authorized subcommittees of each of the above
committees and commissions are authorized to meet between
regular sessions of the Legislature, subject to the direction
of the joint committee on government and finance. Mem-
ers of the Legislature performing interim duties as a mem-
ber of said committees or commissions, or subcommittees
thereof, under this subsection, shall receive interim com-
ensation as provided in section five, article two-a, chapter
four; travel expense reimbursement as provided in section
six, article two-a, chapter four; and interim expense reim-
bursement as provided in section eight, article two-a, chapter
four. However, to be eligible to receive the interim com-
pensation, travel expense reimbursement and interim expense
reimbursement, payment must be authorized by the joint com-
mittee on government and finance.

The joint committe on government and finance shall co-
ordinate meetings, of said committees and commissions, and
subcommittees thereof, between regular sessions of the Legis-
lature.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 24th day of April, 1981.

Governor