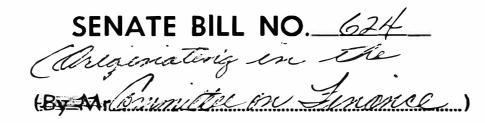
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## Senate Bill No. 624

(Originating in the Committee on Finance.)

[Passed March 10, 1984; to take effect July 1, 1984.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact article five, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirtyone, as amended, relating to granting incremental salary increases to public employees based on years of service.

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

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

## ARTICLE 5. SALARY INCREASE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES.

#### §5-5-1. Definitions.

1 For the purposes of this article: (1) "Eligible employee" 2 means any regular full-time employee of the state or any 3 spending unit thereof who is eligible for membership in 4 any state retirement system of the state of West Virginia 5 or other retirement plan authorized by the state: Pro-6 vided, That the mandatory salary increase required by 7 this article shall not apply to any faculty employee at 8 public institutions of higher learning or any employee of 9 the state whose compensation is fixed by statute or by 10 statutory schedule, nor shall this article be construed 11 to mandate an increase in the salary of any elected or 12 appointed officer of the state; (2) "years of service" means 13 full years of service as an employee of the state of West 14 Virginia; (3) "spending unit" means any state office, 15 department, agency, board, commission, institution, bu1 Aven

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16 reau or other designated body authorized to hire em-17 ployees.

# §5-5-2. Granting incremental salary increases based on years of service.

1 Effective for the fiscal year beginning the first day of 2 July, one thousand nine hundred eighty-five, every eligible employee with three or more years of service shall 3 4 receive an annual salary increase equal to thirty-six dollars times the employees years of service, not to exceed 5 twenty years of service. In each fiscal year thereafter 7 and on the first day thereof, each such employee shall 8 receive an annual increment increase of thirty-six dollars for such fiscal year: Provided, That every employee be-9 coming newly eligible as a result of meeting the three 10 years of service minimum requirement on the first day 11 12 of July in any fiscal year subsequent to one thousand nine 13 hundred eighty-five shall be entitled to the annual salary 14 increase equal to the aforesaid thirty-six dollars times the 15 employee's years of service, where he has not theretofore 16 received the benefit of any such increment computation; 17 and shall receive a single annual increment increase thereafter of thirty-six dollars for each such subsequent fiscal 18 19 year. These incremental increases shall be in addition to 20 any across-the-board, cost-of-living, or percentage salary 21 increases which may be granted in any fiscal year by the 22 Legislature. This article shall not be construed to prohibit 23 other pay increases based on merit, seniority, promotion 24 or other reason, if funds are available for such other pay 25 increases: Provided, however, That the executive head of each spending unit shall first grant the herein mandated 26 increase in compensation to all eligible employees prior 27 to the consideration of any increases based on merit, 28 seniority, promotion or other reason. 29

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

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