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(Mr. Burdette, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Whitlow, Mr. Colombo, Ms. Lucht, Mr. Yanero, Mr. Nelson, Mr. R. Williams, Mrs. Spears, Mr. Craigo, Mr. Jarrell, Mr. White, Mr. Stacy, Mr. Sharpe, Mr. Cook and Mr. Tonkovich, Mr. President, original sponsors)

(Originating in the Committee on Finance.)

[Passed April 13, 1985; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article five, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; and to amend chapter eighteen by adding thereto a new article, designated article twenty-six-b, all relating to removing classified employees from provisions of salary increases for state employees; directing the board of regents to establish a complete, uniform system for personnel classification for classified employees at state institutions of higher education; defining terms;

establishing a higher education classified employee monthly

salary schedule; providing for a personnel classification system and assignment thereto and notification thereof; increasing by five percent the current salary of classified employees; providing for salaries in accordance with the salary schedule established herein to the extent of the appropriations therefor; providing for conferences and an appeal procedure regarding changes in employment classification; requiring certain reports; providing procedure for hiring classified employees after the effective date; and providing for additional employment by mutual agreement subject to approval by the board.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article five, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted; and that chapter eighteen of said code be amended by adding thereto a new article, designated article twenty-six-b, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 5. GENERAL POWERS AND AUTHORITY OF THE GOVERNOR, SECRETARY OF STATE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL: BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS: MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS, OFFICES, PROGRAMS, ETC.

ARTICLE 5. SALARY INCREASE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES.

§5-5-1. Definitions.

- 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 any
- 4 state retirement system of the state of West Virginia or other
- 5 retirement plan authorized by the state: *Provided*, That the
- 6 mandatory salary increase required by this article shall not
- 7 apply to any faculty or classified employee at state
- 8 institutions of higher education or any employee of the state
- 9 whose compensation is fixed by statute or by statutory
- 10 schedule, nor shall this article be construed to mandate an
- 11 increase in the salary of any elected or appointed officer of
- 12 the state; (2) "years of service" means full years of service as
- 13 an employee of the state of West Virginia; (3) "spending
- 14 unit" means any state office, department, agency, board,
- 15 commission, institution, bureau or other designated body
- 16 authorized to hire employees.

CHAPTER 18. EDUCATION.

ARTICLE 26B. CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE SALARY SCHEDULE AND CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM.

§18-26B-1. Definitions.

- 1 As used in this article:
- 2 (a) "Board" means the West Virginia board of regents;
- 3 (b) "Classification" means a group of related job titles 4 including, but not limited to, those which are differentiated 5 by Roman numerals;
- 6 (c) "Classified employee" means any full-time 7 employee of the board who holds a position that is assigned 8 a particular job title and pay grade in accordance with the 9 personnel classification system established by the board;
- 10 (d) "Executive personnel" means an individual who is 11 responsible for major policy formation at the institutional 12 level and reports directly to the president; final approval of 13 such individuals shall rest with the board;
- 14 (e) "Institution" or "Institutions" means the public 15 institutions of higher education within this state;
- 16 (f) "Job description" means the specific listing of duties 17 and responsibilities as determined by the board and 18 associated with a particular job title;
- 19 (g) "Job title" means the name of the position or job as 20 defined by the board;
- 21 (h) "Merit increases and salary adjustments" means all 22 or any portion of the amount of compensation that may be 23 paid above the minimum and up to the maximum salary 24 established in each bracket on the salary schedule on a 25 merit basis or to rectify salary inequities in accordance with 26 policy established by the board;
- 27 (i) "Pay grade" means the letter grade assigned by the 28 board to a particular job title and refers to the horizontal 29 column heading of the salary schedule established in 30 section three of this article:
- 31 (j) "Personnel classification system" means the process 32 of job evaluation adopted by the board by which job title, 33 job description, pay grade and placement on the salary 34 schedule are determined:
- 35 (k) "Salary" means the amount of compensation paid 36 through the state treasury per month to a classified 37 employee;

- (l) "Schedule" or "Salary schedule" means the grid of 38 39 monthly salary figures established in section three of this 40 article: and
- (m) "Years of experience" means the actual number of 41
- 42 years a person has been a full-time employee of the state of
- 43 West Virginia and refers to the vertical column heading of
- 44 the salary schedule established in section three of this
- 45 article. Employment for nine months or more shall equal
- 46 one year of experience, but no classified employee may
- 47 accrue more than one year of experience during any given
- 48 fiscal year. Employment for less than full-time or less than
- 49 nine months during any fiscal year shall be prorated. In
- 50 accordance with rules and regulations established by the
- 51 board, a classified employee may be granted additional 52 years of experience not to exceed the actual number of years
- 53 of prior, relevant work or experience at accredited
- 54 institutions of higher education other than state
- 55 institutions of higher education.

§18-26B-2. Legislative purpose.

- The purpose of the Legislature in the enactment of this
- 2 article is to charge the board with the responsibility to
- 3 establish, control, supervise and manage a complete,
- 4 uniform system of personnel classification in accordance 5 with the provisions of this article for all employees other
- 6 than faculty and executive personnel at state institutions of
- 7 higher education.

§18-26B-3. Higher education classified employee monthly salary schedule.

- 1 There is hereby established a state monthly salary
- 2 schedule for classified employees consisting of a minimum
- 3 and a maximum monthly salary for each pay grade in
- 4 accordance with years of experience: Provided, That
- 5 payment of the minimum salary shall be subject to the
- 6 availability of funds, and nothing in this article shall be
- 7 construed to guarantee payment to any classified employee
- 8 of the salary indicated on the schedule at the actual years of
- 9 experience.

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CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE MONTHLY SALARY SCHEDULE

Years				PAY G	RADE				
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Experi-	A	В	C	D	\mathbf{E}	F	G	Н	I
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	817	874	935	1,000	1,070	1,144	1,227	1,320	1,425
0	873	934	999	1,069	1,143	1,226	1,319	1,424	1,542
	837	894	955	1,020	1,090	1,164	1,267	1,360	1,465
1	893	954	1,019	1,089	1,163	1,246	$1,\!359$	1,464	1,582
	857	914	975	1,040	1,110	1,184	1,307	1,400	1,505
2	913	974	1,039	1,109	1,183	$1,\!266$	1,399	1,504	1,622
	877	934	995	1,060	1,130	1,204	1,347	1,440	1,545
3	933	994	1,059	1,129	1,203	1,286	1,439	1,544	1,662
	897	954	1,015	1,080	1,150	1,224	1,387	1,480	1,585
4	953	1,014	1,079	1,149	1,223	1,306	1,479	1,584	1,702
	917	974	1,035	1,100	1,170	1,244	1,427	1,520	1,625
5	973	1,034	1,099	1,169	1,243	1,326	1,519	1,624	1,742
	937	994	1,055	1,120	1,190	1,264	1,467	1,560	1,665
6	993	1,054	1,119	1,189	1,263	1,346	1,559	1,664	1,782
	957	1,014	1,075	1,140	1,210	1,284	1,507	1,600	1,705
7	1,013	1,074	1,139	1,209	1,283	1,366	1,599	1,704	1,822
	977	1,034	1,095	1,160	1,230	1,304	1,547	1,640	1,745
8	1,033	1,094	1,159	1,229	1,303	1,386	1,639	1,744	1,862
	997	1,054	1,115	1,180	1,250	1,324	1,587	1,680	1,785
9	1,053	1,114	1,179	1,249	1,323	1,406	1,679	1,784	1,902
	1,022	1,079	1,140	1,205	1,275	1,349	1,637	1,730	1,835
10	1,078	1,139	1,204	1,274	1,348	1,431	1,729	1,834	1,952
	1,047	1,104	1,165	1,230	1,300	1,374	1,687	1,780	1,885
11	1,103	1,164	1,229	1,299	1,373	1,456	1,779	1,884	2,002
	1,072	1,129	1,190	1,255	1,325	1,399	1,737	1,830	1,935
12	1,128	1,189	1,254	1,324	1,398	1,481	1,829	1,934	2,052
	1,097	1,154	1,215	1,280	$1,\!350$	1,424	1,787	1,880	1,985
13	1,153	1,214	1,279	1,349	1,423	1,506	1,879	1,984	2,102
	1,122	1,179	1,240	1,305	1,375	1,449	1,837	1,930	2,035
14	1,178	1,239	1,304	1,374	1,448	$1,\!531$	1,929	2,034	2,152
	1,147	1,204	$1,\!265$	1,330	1,400	1,474	1,887	1;980	2,085
15	1,203	1,264	1,329	1,399	1,473	1,556	1,979	2,084	2,202
	1,172	$1,\!229$	1,290	1,355	1,425	1,499	1,937	2,030	2,135
16	1,228	1,289	1,354	1,424	1,498	1,581	2,029	2,134	2,252
	1,197	1,254	1,315	1,380	1,450	1,524	1,987	2,080	2,185
17	1,253	1,314	1,379	1,449	1,523	1,606	2,079	2,184	2,302
	1,222	$1,\!279$	1,340	1,405	1,475	1,549	2,037	2,130	2,235
18	$1,\!278$	1,339	1,404	1,474	1,548	1,631	2,129	2,234	2,352
	1,247	1,304	$1,\!365$	1,430	1,500	1,574	2,087	2,180	2,285
19	1,303	1,364	1,429	1,499	1,573	1,556	2,179	2,284	2,402
	1,272	1,329	1,390	1,455	1,525	1,599	2,137	2,230	2,335
20	1,328	1,389	1,454	1,524	1,598	1,681	2,229	2,334	2,452

§18-26B-4. Establishment of personnel classification system; assignment to classification and to salary schedule; actual salary; annual institutional review of classified employee assignments and annual report to the board.

- 1 (a) Before the first day of July, one thousand nine 2 hundred eighty-five, the board shall establish a system of 3 job classifications, each classification to consist of related 4 job titles, and corresponding job descriptions for each 5 position within a classification, together with the 6 designation of an appropriate pay grade for each job title. 7 By such date and with consideration to recommendations 8 of the institutions, the board shall furnish each classified 9 employee written confirmation of the assignment to the 10 appropriate classification, job title and pay grade and of the 11 proper placement on the salary schedule pursuant to 12 section three of this article notwithstanding the actual 13 salary paid. Such assignment may be appealed in 14 accordance with section five of this article.
- 15 (b) Each classified employee who is employed by the 16 board on the effective date of this article shall receive for 17 the same employment at the same pay grade during the 18 fiscal year commencing on the first day of July, one 19 thousand nine hundred eighty-five and thereafter, a 20 monthly salary which is at least five percent greater than 21 the final monthly salary paid such classified employee for 22 the fiscal year commencing on the first day of July, one 23 thousand nine hundred eighty-four.
- (c) Each classified employee whose monthly salary under subsection (b) of this section is less than the minimum monthly salary for zero years of experience for the appropriate pay grade as set forth in section three of this article shall receive for the fiscal year commencing on July first, one thousand nine hundred eighty-five, an amount that is equal to one half of the difference between such salary and the minimum amount prescribed for the appropriate pay grade at zero years of experience: Provided, That for the fiscal year commencing July first, one thousand nine hundred eighty-six, each classified employee whose monthly salary is less than the minimum monthly salary for zero years of experience for the appropriate pay grade as set forth in section three of this

41 Provided, That such amounts may be reduced 42 proportionately based upon the amount of funds available

43 for such purpose.

- (d) Funds remaining after increasing the monthly salary of each classified employee to at least the minimum amount prescribed for the appropriate pay grade at zero years of experience shall be used to place classified employees on the salary schedule at their appropriate years of experience: 49 *Provided*, That such amount may be reduced proportionately based upon the amount of funds available for such purposes.
- 52 (e) The current monthly salary of any classified 53 employee may not be reduced by the provisions of this 54 article nor by any other action inconsistent with the 55 provisions of this article, and nothing in this article shall be 56 construed to prohibit promotion of any classified employee 57 to a job title carrying a higher pay grade if such promotion is 58 in accordance with the provisions of this article and the 59 personnel classification system established by the board.
- 60 (f) Any classified employee may receive merit increases 61 and/or salary adjustments in accordance with policies 62 established by the board if funds are available for such 63 increases.
- 64 (g) Any full-time classified employee whose actual salary after the effective date of this article exceeds the 66 maximum amount prescribed for such classified employee's assigned placement on the schedule provided for in section 68 three of this article shall not receive pay increases until such 69 classified employee's actual salary no longer exceeds the 70 maximum for the appropriate placement on the salary 71 schedule: *Provided*, That nothing herein shall prohibit any 72 increase paid pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.
- (g) Each institution shall perform an annual review of each job description in relationship to the assigned duties and responsibilities, current job title and pay grade of each classified employee employed at that institution. Based upon the data collected through such annual review, each institution shall determine which, if any, of its classified employees should be recommended for a change in job title

in order to conform to the personnel classification system of the board: *Provided*, That any classified employee filling a position or carrying out the duties and responsibilities of a position normally assigned a higher pay grade in accordance with the personnel classification system established by the board shall be recommended for a change in job title or shall be returned immediately to the duties and responsibilities outlined in his appropriate job description.

Each institution shall submit to the board by the first day of October, one thousand nine hundred eighty-five, and each year thereafter, a report which shall include the steps being taken to ensure proper employee classification in accordance with the appropriate job titles and pay grades as established by the board, any recommended changes in job title, the justification for such recommendations, the effect of such changes on existing personnel, and the fiscal impact thereof.

Pach institution also may submit, as a part of its annual report to the board, recommendations for alterations in job descriptions or classifications, changes in corresponding pay grades, or creation of new job titles or classifications. Such changes, if approved by the board, shall be made a part of the personnel classification system of the board and shall be applied uniformly at all institutions: *Provided*, 105 That when necessary, the board may order changes in classifications or changes in job titles upon its own authority and shall notify the institutions of such changes within thirty days.

The board, upon receipt and review of the annual report submitted by each institution, shall notify the reporting institution by the first day of December, one thousand nine hundred eighty-five and each year thereafter, of any action taken in response to recommendations made by the institution. Immediately upon receipt of notification of any changes in the personnel classification system by the board, the institution shall post copies of such notice in prominent campus locations. Changes in classification or changes in job title, as approved by the board, shall be effective no later than the first day of July of each year. As to any change

120 which affects existing personnel, each classified employee

121 so affected shall be notified in writing regarding such 122 change and the effect thereof.

§18-26B-5. Conferences and appeal rights regarding personnel classification.

- The president of the institution or his designees
- 2 charged with responsibility to develop any personnel
- 3 recommendations for inclusion in the institution's annual
- 4 report to the board shall meet and confer during
- 5 development of the recommendations with each classified
- 6 employee who (1) may be affected by proposed
- 7 recommendations to the board; or (2) has requested a 8 change in job title.
- 9 (b) A classified employee may appeal the initial
- 10 assignment, any change in the assigned classification or job
- 11 title, or any change in the system of classification, whether
- 12 such change is the result of action taken by the board upon
- 13 its own authority or upon the recommendations of the
- 14 institutions: *Provided*, That a classified employee shall file
- 15 has appeal, in writing, with the board no more than thirty
- 16 days from the date of notice of the initial assignment or a
- 17 change in the employee's current classification or within
- 18 thirty days after the posting of notice of changes in the
- 19 personnel classification system.
- 20 (c) The board shall notify the institution of the filing of
- 21 an appeal by a classified employee. Within ten days, the
- 22 board shall determine the date, time, and location at the
- 23 employing institution for a hearing to be held, and shall give
- 24 notice thereof, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to
- 25 the classified employee and the president of the institution
- 26 or his designee. The hearing shall be held before the board, a
- 27 designated subcommittee of the board, or a designated 28 hearing officer within thirty days of receipt of such
- 29 employee's petition of appeal: Provided, That the hearing
- 30 may be continued for reasonable cause from time to time
- 31 until completed.
- 32 (d) At an appeals hearing, the classified employee shall
- 33 be accorded substantive and procedural due process,
- 34 including the right to produce evidence and witnesses and
- 35 to cross-examine witnesses, and the right to legal counsel or
- 36 other representation at his own expense. Testimony shall be

- 37 recorded on audio tape, which, together with copies of the
- 38 exhibits, shall be furnished to the classified employee, at no
- 39 charge, upon his request. If the tape is transcribed at the
- 40 request of the classified employee, the cost will be equally
- 41 shared by the classified employee and the institution.
- 42 (e) The board shall submit a written decision within
- 43 thirty days of the hearing or at such time as is mutually
- 44 agreed upon by the parties.
- 45 (f) The employee may appeal any decision of the board
- 46 in accordance with any provisions of this chapter relating to
- 47 employee grievance procedures.

§18-26B-6. Hirings after effective date.

- 1 Any individual hired as a full-time classified employee
- 2 after the effective date of this section shall be assigned by
- 3 the board, with consideration to any recommendations of
- 4 the institution, to a placement on the salary schedule which
- 5 is appropriate to such individual's classification, job title,
- 6 pay grade and years of experience: *Provided*, That nothing
- 7 is this section shall be construed to guarantee to a newly
- 8 hired classified employee payment of the salary indicated
- 9 on the schedule at the actual years of experience.

§18-26B-7. Additional employment by mutual agreement; provision for board approval.

- 1 In accordance with policy established by the board and
- 2 by mutual agreement, the president of an institution or a
- 3 designated representative and a classified employee at such
- 4 institution may agree on duties to be performed by such
- 5 employee in addition to those duties listed in the job
- 6 description. The terms and conditions of any such
- 7 agreement shall be in writing, signed by both parties, and
- 8 shall describe the additional duties to be performed, the
- 9 length of time such agreement shall be in force and the 10 additional compensation to be paid. Such agreement shall
- 11 be submitted to the board and shall be in effect unless and
- 12 until the institution receives notice of non-approval within
- 13 ten working days following the submission thereof.

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