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Senate Bill No. 2

(By Senators Tucker (Mr. President) and Harman, By request of the Executive)

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AN ACT to amend the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new chapter, designated chapter five-f, relating to the reorganization of the executive branch of state government; setting forth certain legislative findings and declarations; providing a rule of construction; creating seven new departments in the executive branch of state government; creating the office of secretary as the administrative head of each such department; specifying the appointment, term, oath, bond and compensation of each such secretary and funding for expenditures for personal services of the secretary's office; defining terms; providing for the transfer to and incorporation in such departments of numerous state agencies and boards and their allied, advisory, affiliated and related entities and funds; retaining the existence, powers, authority, duties and status of administrators, agencies and boards; providing for code references elsewhere; relating to the powers and authority of the secretary of each such department; providing rule-making authority; making special provisions for federal law or regulation, federal-state programs or federally delegated programs: specifying the appointment, term, qualifications, oath, bond and compensation of administrators of all transferred and incorporated agencies and boards; authorizing dual office-holding; providing for the transfer of records, property and personnel; providing for a report to the Legislature concerning further reorganization of the executive branch of state government; providing operative date for implementation; and providing a severability clause.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new chapter, designated chapter five-f, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 5F. REORGANIZATION OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF STATE GOVERNMENT.

ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

§5F-1-1. Legislative findings and declarations.

- (a) The Legislature hereby finds and declares that 2 state government must be made more responsive to
- 3 the citizens of the state; that the various agencies and
- 4 boards responsible for the execution of the laws of this
- 5 state must be improved; that more effective manage-
- 6 ment of the executive branch of state government
- 7 must be achieved; that the efficiency of the operations
- 8 of the agencies and boards of state government must
- 9 be increased; and that in view of the financial crisis
- 10 facing the state of West Virginia, it is essential to
- 11 compel a curtailment and reduction of governmental
- 12 expenses and hold them within reasonable bounds
- 13 consistent with the economical and efficient adminis-
- 14 tration of governmental services and to ensure the
- 15 strictest economy in the matter of governmental
- 16 expenditures to the end that agencies and boards of
- 17 government may not be compelled to abdicate their
- 18 responsibilities or cease to function but that in
- 19 carrying out their responsibilities they shall not place
- 20 upon the public any expense which is not necessary.

- 21 The Legislature further hereby finds and declares that 22 in order to achieve these purposes, it is essential to
- 23 reorganize the executive branch of state government 24 so as to:
- 25 (1) Promote the execution of the laws, the more 26 effective management of the executive branch and of 27 its agencies, boards and functions, and the expeditious 28 administration of the public business;
- 29 (2) Reduce expenditures and promote economy to 30 the fullest extent consistent with the efficient 31 operation of state government;
- 32 (3) Increase the efficiency of the operations of state 33 government to the fullest extent practicable;
- 34 (4) Group, coordinate and consolidate agencies and 35 functions of state government, as nearly as may be, 36 according to purposes;
- 37 (5) Consolidate or combine those agencies having 38 similar or complementary functions under a single 39 head, and, after observing and analyzing the operation 40 of such consolidated or combined agencies for a period 41 of time, abolish by legislative act, where legislative 42 action is required, such agencies or functions thereof 43 as are determined not to be necessary or desirable for 44 the efficient conduct of the state government;
- 45 (6) Eliminate duplication of effort;
- 46 (7) Provide for appropriate legislative oversight as 47 mandated in the constitution of this state; and
- 48 (8) Provide for a spirit of cooperation and unity 49 between the executive and legislative branches in 50 addressing and developing solutions to the problems 51 facing the state.
- 52 (b) This chapter is enacted in view and because of 53 the findings and declarations set forth in subsection (a) 54 of this section and shall be construed in the light 55 thereof.

§5F-1-2. Executive departments created; offices of secretary created; funds.

- 1 (a) There are hereby created, within the executive
- 2 branch of the state government, the following
- 3 departments:
- 4 (1) Department of administration;
- 5 (2) Department of commerce, labor and 6 environmental resources;
- 7 (3) Department of education and the arts;
- 8 (4) Department of health and human resources;
- 9 (5) Department of public safety;
- 10 (6) Department of tax and revenue; and
- 11 (7) Department of transportation.
- 12 (b) Each department shall be headed by a secretary
- 13 who shall be appointed by the governor by and with
- 14 the advice and consent of the Senate and who shall
- 15 serve at the will and pleasure of the governor.

§5F-1-3. Oath; bond; compensation.

- 1 (a) Each person appointed to serve as a secretary
- 2 shall take the oath or affirmation prescribed by section
- 3 five, article four of the constitution, and such oath
- 4 shall be certified by the person who administers the
- 5 same and filed in the office of the secretary of state.
- 6 (b) Each person so appointed shall give bond in the
- 7 penalty of twenty-five thousand dollars conditioned for 8 the faithful performance of the duties of the office,
- 9 which bond shall be approved by the attorney general
- 10 as to form and by the governor as to sufficiency. The
- 11 surety of such bond may be a bonding or surety
- 12 company, in which case the premium shall be paid out
- 13 of the appropriation made for the administration of
- 14 the department.
- 15 (c) Each secretary shall receive an annual salary as
- 16 shall be fixed from time to time by the governor
- 17 within the limit of funds appropriated to the depart-
- 18 ment and available for such purpose.

(d) The salary and expenses necessary for each secretary and all expenditures for personal services for the office of secretary shall be paid from and within existing appropriations made to the agencies and boards transferred to the department headed by that secretary, and revised expenditure schedules shall be submitted to the commissioner of finance and administration and the legislative auditor stating the amount and source of funds to be expended: *Provided*, That for fiscal years beginning the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred eighty-nine, such amounts shall follow the procedures described in chapter five-

§5F-1-4. Definitions.

- 1 (a) As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly 2 requires a different meaning:
- 3 (1) "Administrator" means any person who fills a 4 statutorily created position within or related to an 5 agency or board (other than a board member) and 6 who is designated by statute as commissioner, deputy 7 commissioner, assistant commissioner, director, chancellor, chief, executive director, executive secretary, 9 superintendent, deputy superintendent, or other 10 administrative title, however designated;
- 11 (2) "Agency" means any department, division, fund, 12 office, position, system, survey or other entity of state 13 government, however designated, transferred to and 14 incorporated in one of the departments created in 15 section two of this article;
- 16 (3) "Board" means any board, commission, author-17 ity, council, or other body, however designated, 18 consisting of two or more members, transferred to and 19 incorporated in one of the departments created in 20 section two of this article;
- 21 (4) "Code" means the code of West Virginia, one 22 thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as heretofore and 23 hereafter amended; and
- 24 (5) "Secretary" means the administrative head of

- 25 one of the departments created in section two of this
- 26 article.
- 27(b) Although each term defined in subsection (a) of
- 28 this section is in the singular, the plural of any term
- 29 shall have the same meaning.

ARTICLE 2. TRANSFER OF AGENCIES AND BOARDS.

§5F-2-1. Transfer and incorporation of agencies and boards.

- (a) The following agencies and boards, including all
- 2 of the allied, advisory, affiliated or related entities and
- 3 funds associated with any such agency or board, are
- 4 hereby transferred to and incorporated in and shall be
- 5 administered as a part of the department of
- 6 administration:
- (1) Building commission provided for in article six,
- 8 chapter five of this code;
- (2) Records management and preservation advisory
- 10 committee provided for in article eight, chapter five of
- 11 this code:
- (3) Public employees retirement system and board of 12
- 13 trustees provided for in article ten, chapter five of this
- 14 code:
- 15 (4) Public employees insurance agency and public
- 16 employees advisory board provided for in article
- 17 sixteen, chapter five of this code;
- (5) Department of finance and administration and 18
- 19 council of finance and administration provided for in
- 20 article one, chapter five-a of this code;
- 21 (6) Employee suggestion award board provided for in
- 22 article one-a, chapter five-a of this code;
- 23(7) Governor's mansion advisory committee pro-
- 24 vided for in article four-a, chapter five-a of this code;
- (8) Advisory commission to the information system 25
- 26 services division in the department of finance and
- administration provided for in article seven, chapter 27
- 28 five-a of this code:

- 29 (9) Teachers retirement system and teachers' 30 retirement board provided for in article seven-a, 31 chapter eighteen of this code;
- 32 (10) Commission on uniform state laws provided for 33 in article one-a, chapter twenty-nine of this code;
- 34 (11) Department of personnel of the civil service 35 system and the civil service commission provided for 36 in article six, chapter twenty-nine of this code;
- 37 (12) Education and state employees grievance board 38 provided for in article twenty-nine, chapter eighteen 39 and article six-a, chapter twenty-nine of this code;
- 40 (13) Board of risk and insurance management pro-41 vided for in article twelve, chapter twenty-nine of this 42 code;
- 43 (14) Boundary commission provided for in article 44 twenty-three, chapter twenty-nine of this code;
- 45 (15) Public legal services council provided for in 46 article twenty-one, chapter twenty-nine of this code;
- 47 (16) Division of personnel which may be hereafter 48 created by the Legislature; and
- 49 (17) The West Virginia ethics commission which may 50 be hereafter created by the Legislature.
- 51 (b) The following agencies and boards, including all 52 of the allied, advisory, affiliated or related entities and 53 funds associated with any such agency or board, are 54 hereby transferred to and incorporated in and shall be 55 administered as a part of the department of com-56 merce, labor and environmental resources:
- 57 (1) Forest management review commission provided 58 for in article twenty-four, chapter five of this code;
- 59 (2) Department of commerce provided for in article 60 one, chapter five-b of this code;
- 61 (3) Office of community and industrial development 62 provided for in article two, chapter five-b of this code;
- 63 (4) Enterprise zone authority provided for in article two-b, chapter five-b of this code;

- 65 (5) Office of federal procurement assistance provided 66 for in article two-c, chapter five-b of this code;
- 67 (6) Export development authority provided for in 68 article three, chapter five-b of this code;
- 69 (7) Labor-management council provided for in 70 article four, chapter five-b of this code;
- 71 (8) Industry and jobs development corporation 72 provided for in article one, chapter five-c of this code;
- 73 (9) Public energy authority and board provided for 74 in chapter five-d of this code;
- 75 (10) Air pollution control commission provided for in 76 article twenty, chapter sixteen of this code;
- 77 (11) Resource recovery—solid waste disposal author-78 ity provided for in article twenty-six, chapter sixteen 79 of this code;
- 80 (12) Division of forestry and forestry commission 81 provided for in article one-a, chapter nineteen of this 82 code;
- 83 (13) Department of natural resources and natural 84 resources commission provided for in article one, 85 chapter twenty of this code;
- 86 (14) Water resources board provided for in article 87 five, chapter twenty of this code;
- 88 (15) Water development authority and board pro-89 vided for in article five-c, chapter twenty of this code;
- 90 (16) Department of labor provided for in article one, 91 chapter twenty-one of this code;
- 92 (17) Labor-management relations board provided for 93 in article one-b, chapter twenty-one of this code;
- 94 (18) Public employees occupational safety and health 95 advisory board provided for in article three-a, chapter 96 twenty-one of this code;
- 97 (19) Minimum wage rate board provided for in 98 article five-a, chapter twenty-one of this code;
- 99 (20) Board of manufactured housing construction

- 100 and safety provided for in article nine, chapter 101 twenty-one of this code;
- 102 (21) Department of energy provided for in article 103 one, chapter twenty-two of this code;
- 104 (22) Reclamation board of review provided for in 105 article four, chapter twenty-two of this code;
- 106 (23) Board of appeals provided for in article five, 107 chapter twenty-two of this code;
- 108 (24) Board of coal mine health and safety and coal 109 mine safety and technical review committee provided 110 for in article six, chapter twenty-two of this code;
- 111 (25) Shallow gas well review board provided for in 112 article seven, chapter twenty-two of this code;
- 113 (26) Oil and gas conservation commission provided 114 for in article eight, chapter twenty-two of this code;
- 115 (27) Board of miner training, education and certifi-116 cation provided for in article nine, chapter twenty-two 117 of this code:
- 118 (28) Mine inspectors' examining board provided for 119 in article eleven, chapter twenty-two of this code;
- 120 (29) Oil and gas inspectors' examining board pro-121 vided for in article thirteen, chapter twenty-two of 122 this code:
- 123 (30) Geological and economic survey provided for in 124 article two, chapter twenty-nine of this code;
- 125 (31) Blennerhassett historical park commission 126 provided for in article eight, chapter twenty-nine of 127 this code;
- 128 (32) Tourist train and transportation board provided 129 for in article twenty-four, chapter twenty-nine of this 130 code;
- 131 (33) Economic development authority provided for in 132 article fifteen, chapter thirty-one of this code;
- 133 (34) Board of members of the forest industries

- 134 industrial foundation provided for in article sixteen,
- 135 chapter thirty-one of this code;
- 136 (35) Department of banking provided for in article
- 137 two, chapter thirty-one-a of this code;
- 138 (36) Board of banking and financial institutions
- 139 provided for in article three, chapter thirty-one-a of
- 140 this code;
- 141 (37) Consumer affairs advisory council provided for
- 142 in article seven, chapter forty-six-a of this code; and
- 143 (38) Lending and credit rate board provided for in
- 144 chapter forty-seven-a of this code.
- 145 (c) The following agencies and boards, including all
- 146 of the allied, advisory, affiliated or related entities and
- 147 funds associated with any such agency or board, are
- 148 hereby transferred to and incorporated in and shall be
- 149 administered as a part of the department of education
- 150 and the arts:
- 151 (1) Library commission provided for in article one,
- 152 chapter ten of this code;
- 153 (2) Educational broadcasting authority provided for
- 154 in article five, chapter ten of this code;
- 155 (3) Board of regents provided for in article twenty-
- 156 six, chapter eighteen of this code; and
- 157 (4) Department of culture and history, archives and
- 158 history commission and commission on the arts pro-
- 159 vided for in article one, chapter twenty-nine of this
- 160 code.
- 161 (d) The following agencies and boards, including all
- 162 of the allied, advisory, affiliated or related entities and
- 163 funds associated with any such agency or board, are
- 164 hereby transferred to and incorporated in and shall be
- administered as a part of the department of health and
- 166 human resources:
- 167 (1) Human rights commission provided for in article
- 168 eleven, chapter five of this code;

- 169 (2) Department of human services provided for in 170 article two, chapter nine of this code;
- 171 (3) Department of veterans' affairs and veterans' 172 council provided for in article one, chapter nine-a of 173 this code:
- 174 (4) Department of health and board of health pro-175 vided for in article one, chapter sixteen of this code;
- 176 (5) Health care planning council provided for in article two-d, chapter sixteen of this code;
- 178 (6) Office of emergency medical services and advi-179 sory council thereto provided for in article four-c, 180 chapter sixteen of this code;
- 181 (7) Continuum of care board for the elderly, disabled 182 and terminally ill provided for in article five-d, 183 chapter sixteen of this code;
- 184 (8) Hospital finance authority provided for in article twenty-nine-a, chapter sixteen of this code;
- 186 (9) Health care cost review authority provided for in article twenty-nine-b, chapter sixteen of this code;
- 188 (10) Structural barriers compliance board provided 189 for in article ten-f, chapter eighteen of this code;
- 190 (11) Department of employment security, state 191 advisory council thereto and board of review provided 192 for in chapter twenty-one-a of this code;
- 193 (12) Office of workers' compensation commissioner, 194 advisory board thereto and workers' compensation 195 appeal board provided for in chapter twenty-three of 196 this code;
- 197 (13) Commission on aging provided for in article 198 fourteen, chapter twenty-nine of this code;
- 199 (14) Commission on mental retardation and advisory 200 committee thereto provided for in article fifteen, 201 chapter twenty-nine of this code;
- 202 (15) Women's commission provided for in article 203 twenty, chapter twenty-nine of this code; and

- 204 (16) Commission on children and youth provided for 205 in article six-c, chapter forty-nine of this code.
- 206 (e) The following agencies and boards, including all 207 of the allied, advisory, affiliated or related entities and 208 funds associated with any such agency or board, are 209 hereby transferred to and incorporated in and shall be 210 administered as a part of the department of public
- 211 safety:
- 212 (1) Crime victims compensation fund provided for in 213 article two-a, chapter fourteen of this code;
- 214 (2) Adjutant general's department provided for in 215 article one-a, chapter fifteen of this code;
- 216 (3) Armory board provided for in article six, chapter 217 fifteen of this code;
- 218 (4) Military awards board provided for in article one-219 g, chapter fifteen of this code;
- 220 (5) Department of public safety and commission on 221 drunk driving prevention provided for in article two, 222 chapter fifteen of this code;
- 223 (6) Office of emergency services and emergency 224 services advisory council provided for in article five, 225 chapter fifteen of this code;
- 226 (7) Sheriffs' bureau provided for in article eight, 227 chapter fifteen of this code;
- 228 (8) Department of corrections provided for in chap-229 ter twenty-five of this code;
- 230 (9) Fire commission and state fire administrator 231 provided for in article three, chapter twenty-nine of 232 this code;
- 233 (10) Regional jail and prison authority provided for 234 in article twenty, chapter thirty-one of this code; and
- 235 (11) Board of probation and parole provided for in 236 article twelve, chapter sixty-two of this code.
- 237 (f) The following agencies and boards, including all 238 of the allied, advisory, affiliated or related entities and 239 funds associated with any such agency or board, are

- 240 hereby transferred to and incorporated in and shall be
- 241 administered as a part of the department of tax and
- 242 revenue:
- 243 (1) Tax department provided for in article one, 244 chapter eleven of this code;
- 245 (2) Appraisal control and review commission pro-246 vided for in article one-a, chapter eleven of this code;
- 247 (3) Office of nonintoxicating beer commissioner 248 provided for in article sixteen, chapter eleven of this 249 code;
- 250 (4) Board of investments provided for in article six, 251 chapter twelve of this code;
- 252 (5) Municipal bond commission provided for in 253 article three, chapter thirteen of this code;
- 254 (6) Racing commission provided for in article 255 twenty-three, chapter nineteen of this code;
- 256 (7) Lottery commission and position of lottery 257 director provided for in article twenty-two, chapter 258 twenty-nine of this code;
- 259 (8) Agency of insurance commissioner provided for 260 in article two, chapter thirty-three of this code;
- 261 (9) Office of alcohol beverage control commissioner 262 provided for in article two, chapter sixty of this code; 263 and
- 264 (10) Division of professional and occupational 265 licenses which may be hereafter created by the 266 Legislature.
- 267 (g) The following agencies and boards, including all 268 of the allied, advisory, affiliated or related entities and 269 funds associated with any such agency or board, are 270 hereby transferred to and incorporated in and shall be 271 administered as a part of the department of 272 transportation:
- 273 (1) Road commission provided for in article two, 274 chapter seventeen of this code;

- 275 (2) Department of highways provided for in article 276 two-a, chapter seventeen of this code;
- 277 (3) Turnpike commission provided for in article 278 sixteen-a, chapter seventeen of this code;
- 279 (4) Department of motor vehicles provided for in 280 article two, chapter seventeen-a of this code;
- 281 (5) Driver's licensing advisory board provided for in 282 article two, chapter seventeen-b of this code;
- 283 (6) Motorcycle safety standards and specifications 284 board provided for in article fifteen, chapter 285 seventeen-c of this code;
- 286 (7) Aeronautics commission provided for in article 287 two-a, chapter twenty-nine of this code;
- 288 (8) Railroad maintenance authority provided for in article eighteen, chapter twenty-nine of this code; and
- 290 (9) Port authority which may be hereafter created 291 by the Legislature.
- (h) Except for such powers, authority and duties as 293 have been delegated to the secretaries of the 294 departments by the provisions of section two of this 295 article, the existence of the position of administrator 296 and of the agency and the powers, authority and 297 duties of each administrator and agency shall not be 298 affected by the enactment of this chapter.
- 299 (i) Except for such powers, authority and duties as 300 have been delegated to the secretaries of the 301 departments by the provisions of section two of this 302 article, the existence, powers, authority and duties of 303 boards and the membership, terms and qualifications of members of such boards shall not be affected by the 305 enactment of this chapter, and all boards which are 306 appellate bodies or were otherwise established to be 307 independent decision-makers shall not have their 308 appellate or independent decision-making status 309 affected by the enactment of this chapter.
- 310 (j) Wherever elsewhere in this code, in any act, in 311 general or other law, in any rule or regulation, or in

- 312 any ordinance, resolution or order, reference is made
- 313 to any department transferred to and incorporated in
- 314 a department created in section two, article one of this
- 315 chapter, such reference shall henceforth be read,
- 316 construed and understood to mean a division of the
- 317 appropriate department so created, and any such
- 318 reference elsewhere to a division of a department so
- 319 transferred and incorporated shall henceforth be read,
- 320 construed and understood to mean a section of the
- 321 appropriate division of the department so created.

§5F-2-2. Power and authority of secretary of each department.

- 1 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code
- 2 to the contrary, the secretary of each department shall
- 3 have plenary power and authority within and for the
- 4 department to:
- 5 (1) Employ and discharge within the office of the
- 6 secretary such employees as may be necessary to carry
- 7 out the functions of the secretary, which employees
- 8 shall serve at the will and pleasure of the secretary.
- 9 (2) Cause the various agencies and boards to be
- 10 operated effectively, efficiently and economically, and
- 11 develop goals, objectives, policies and plans that are
- 12 necessary or desirable for the effective, efficient and
- 13 economical operation of the department;
- 14 (3) Eliminate or consolidate positions, other than
- 15 positions of administrators or positions of board
- 16 members, and name a person to fill more than one
- 17 position;
- 18 (4) Delegate, assign, transfer or combine
- 19 responsibilities or duties to or among employees, other
- 20 than administrators or board members.
- 21 (5) Reorganize internal functions or operations;
- 22 (6) Formulate comprehensive budgets for consider-
- 23 ation by the governor, and transfer within the depart-
- 24 ment funds appropriated to the various agencies of the
- 25 department which are not expended due to cost
- 26 savings resulting from the implementation of the

27 provisions of this chapter: Provided, That no more 28 than twenty-five percent of the funds appropriated to any one agency or board may be transferred to other agencies or boards within the department: Provided, 31 however. That no funds may be transferred from a 32 special revenue account, dedicated account, capital 33 expenditure account or any other account or funds specifically exempted by the Legislature from transfer, except that the use of appropriations from the state 35 36 road fund transferred to the office of the secretary of 37 the department of transportation is not a use other 38 than the purpose for which such funds were dedicated and is permitted: Provided further, That if the Legis-39 40 lature by subsequent enactment consolidates agencies, boards or functions, the secretary may transfer the 42 funds formerly appropriated to such agency, board or 43 function in order to implement such consolidation. The authority to transfer funds under this section shall expire on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand 46 nine hundred eighty-nine.

- 47 (7) Enter into contracts or agreements requiring the 48 expenditure of public funds, and authorize the expen-49 diture or obligating of public funds as authorized by 50 law: Provided, That the powers granted to the secre-51 tary to enter into contracts or agreements and to make 52 expenditures or obligations of public funds under this provision shall not exceed or be interpreted as author-53 54 ity to exceed the powers heretofore granted by the Legislature to the various commissioners, directors or 56 board members of the various departments, agencies 57 or boards that comprise and are incorporated into each secretary's department under this chapter;
- 60 (8) Acquire by lease or purchase property of what-60 ever kind or character, and convey or dispose of any 61 property of whatever kind or character as authorized 62 by law: *Provided*, That the powers granted to the 63 secretary to lease, purchase, convey or dispose of such 64 property shall not exceed or be interpreted as author-65 ity to exceed the powers heretofore granted by the 66 Legislature to the various commissioners, directors or 67 board members of the various departments, agencies

- or boards that comprise and are incorporated into each secretary's department under this chapter.
- 70 (9) Conduct internal audits;
- 71 (10) Supervise internal management;
- 72 (11) Promulgate rules, as defined in section two, 73 article one, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code, to 74 implement and make effective the powers, authority 75 and duties granted and imposed by the provisions of 76 this chapter, such promulgation to be in accordance 77 with the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this 78 code;
- 79 (12) Grant or withhold written consent to the 80 proposal of any rule, as defined in section two, article 81 one, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code, by any 82 administrator, agency or board within the department, 83 without which written consent no proposal of a rule 84 shall have any force or effect;
- 85 (13) Delegate to administrators such duties of the 86 secretary as the secretary may deem appropriate from 87 time to time to facilitate execution of the powers, 88 authority and duties delegated to the secretary; and
- 89 (14) Take any other action involving or relating to 90 internal management not otherwise prohibited by law.
- 91 (b) The secretaries of the departments hereby 92 created shall engage in a comprehensive review of the 93 practices, policies, and operations of the agencies and 94 boards within their departments to determine the 95 feasibility of cost reductions and increased efficiency 96 which may be achieved therein, including, but not 97 limited to, the following:
- 98 (1) The elimination, reduction and restrictions in the 99 use of the state's vehicle or other transportation fleet;
- 100 (2) The elimination, reduction and restrictions in the 101 preparation of state government publications, 102 including annual reports, informational materials, and 103 promotional materials;
- 104 (3) The termination or renegotiation of terms

- 105 contained in lease agreements between the state and 106 private sector for offices, equipment and services;
- 107 (4) The adoption of appropriate systems for account-108 ing, including consideration of an accrual basis finan-109 cial accounting and reporting system;
- 110 (5) The adoption of revised procurement practices to 111 facilitate cost effective purchasing procedures, 112 including consideration of means by which domestic 113 businesses may be assisted to compete for state 114 government purchases; and
- 115 (6) The computerization of the functions of the state agencies and boards.
- 117 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a)
 118 and (b) of this section, none of the powers granted to
 119 the secretaries herein shall be exercised by the
 120 secretary if to do so would violate or be inconsistent
 121 with the provisions of any federal law or regulation,
 122 any federal-state program or federally delegated
 123 program or jeopardize the approval, existence or
 124 funding of any such program, and the powers granted
 125 to the secretary shall be so construed.
- 126 (d) The layoff and recall rights of employees within 127 the classified service of the state as provided in 128 subsections five and six, section ten, article six, 129 chapter twenty-nine of this code shall be limited to the 130 organizational unit within the agency or board and 131 within the promotional series of the agency or board 132 in which the employee was employed prior to the 133 agency or board's transfer or incorporation into the 134 department. The duration of recall rights provided in 135 this subsection shall be limited to two years or the 136 length of tenure, whichever is less. Except as provided 137 in this subsection, nothing contained in this section 138 shall be construed to abridge the rights of employees 139 within the classified service of the state as provided in 140 sections ten and ten-a, article six, chapter twenty-nine 141 of this code or the right of classified employees of the 142 board of regents to the procedures and protections set 143 forth in article twenty-six-b, chapter eighteen of this 144 code.

§5F-2-3. Administrators; appointment; oath; bond; compensation.

- 1 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code 2 (including subsections (h) and (i), section one of this 3 article) to the contrary, each administrator required 4 by other provisions of this code to be appointed by the 5 governor shall:
- 6 (1) Continue to be appointed by the governor by and
 7 with the advice and consent of the Senate and each
 8 such administrator shall serve at the will and pleasure
 9 of the governor, and the governor may appoint a
 10 person to fill more than one such position of adminis11 trator and may appoint a secretary to fill one or more
 12 positions of such administrator, but each person
 13 appointed as such an administrator must possess
 14 whatever qualifications are elsewhere specified in this
 15 code as being required for appointment to such
 16 position;
- 17 (2) Take the oath of office or affirmation prescribed 18 by section five, article four of the constitution, and 19 such oath shall be certified by the person who 20 administers the same and filed in the office of the 21 secretary of state;
- 23 (3) Give bond in the penalty of fifteen thousand 23 dollars conditioned for the faithful performance of the 24 duties of the office, which bond shall be approved by 25 the attorney general as to form and by the secretary 26 as to sufficiency. The surety of such bond may be a 27 bonding or surety company, in which case the pre-28 mium shall be paid out of the appropriation made for 29 the administration of the department; and
- 30 (4) Receive an annual salary as shall be fixed from 31 time to time by the governor and secretary within the 32 limit of funds appropriated to the department and 33 available for such purpose.
- 34 (b) Each administrator required by other provisions 35 of this code to be appointed in any manner other than 36 by the governor shall continue to be appointed, shall 37 take such oath of office, give such bond and receive

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38 such salary as shall be so specified by such other 39 provisions of this code.

§5F-2-4. Transfer of records, property and personnel.

- 1 All records, assets and property, of whatever kind or
- 2 character, owned by or utilized in the administration
- 3 of the agencies and boards and all of the personnel
- 4 utilized in the administration of such agencies and
- 5 boards, including the administrators, are hereby
- 6 transferred to the respective department to and in
- 7 which such agencies and boards are transferred and
- 8 incorporated.

ARTICLE 3. FUTURE REORGANIZATION; SEVERABILITY.

§5F-3-1. Recommendations for further reorganization.

- 1 The governor shall submit to the Legislature on or
 - 2 before the first day of January, one thousand nine
 - 3 hundred ninety-one, a report setting forth the reorga-
 - 4 nization implemented by executive action pursuant to
 - 5 this chapter and resulting cost savings as determined
- 6 by the governor, any recommendations for further
- 7 reorganization requiring legislative action and drafts
- 8 of recommended legislation to implement the reorga-
- 9 nization requiring legislative action.

§5F-3-2. Operative dates.

- 1 The provisions of this chapter shall become opera-
- 2 tive as to any department created in section two,
- 3 article one of this chapter upon the appointment of the
- 4 secretary of such department.

§5F-3-3. Severability.

- 1 If any provision of this chapter or the application
- 2 thereof to any person or circumstance is held
- 3 unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutionality or
- 4 invalidity shall not affect other provisions or
- 5 applications of the chapter, and to this end the
- 6 provisions of this chapter are declared to be severable.

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