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(By Senator \_\_\_\_\_ Rass et al )

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#### Senate Bill No. 577

(By Senators Ross, Dittmar and Yoder)

[Passed April 10, 1993; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article thirteen, chapter sixty-two of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to allowing the commissioner of corrections to charge parolees under the supervision of the division of corrections a fee to help defray the increasing costs of parole supervision.

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

That section two, article thirteen, chapter sixty-two of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirtyone, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

#### **ARTICLE 13. CORRECTIONS MANAGEMENT.**

# §62-13-2. Supervision of probationers and parolees; final determinations remaining with board of probation and parole.

1 The commissioner of corrections shall supervise all 2 persons released on parole under any law of this state 3 with the exception of those persons paroled pursuant 4 to section thirteen, article two, chapter forty-nine of 5 this code. The commissioner shall have authority to 6 revoke the parole with appropriate due process. He

7 shall also supervise all probationers and parolees 8 whose supervision may have been undertaken by this 9 state by reason of any interstate compact entered into 10 pursuant to the uniform act for out-of-state parolee 11 supervision. The commissioner shall prescribe rules 12 and regulations for the supervision of probationers and 13 parolees under his supervision and control and shall 14 succeed to all administrative and supervisory powers 15 of the board of probation and parole and the authority 16 of said board of probation and parole in such matters 17 only. The commissioner of corrections may charge 18 persons under his or her supervision who are on 19 parole a monthly fee to be determined by the commis-20 sioner, based upon the parolee's ability to pay, not to 21 exceed twenty dollars per month to defray costs of 22 supervision. All fees collected shall be placed into a 23 special revenue account in the state treasury to be 24 used to defray the expenses incurred. The commis-25 sioner shall consider the following factors in determin-26 ing whether the parolee is financially able to pay the 27 fee:

28 (1) Current income prospects, taking into account29 seasonal variations in income;

30 (2) Liquid assets, assets which may provide collateral
31 to obtain funds and other assets which may be liqui32 dated to provide funds to pay the fee;

33 (3) Fixed debts and obligations, including federal,
34 state and local taxes and medical expenses;

35 (4) Child care, transportation and expenses neces-36 sary for employment;

37 (5) Age or physical infirmity of resident family38 members; and

39 (6) The consequences for the individual if a waiver40 or reduced fee is denied.

41 The commissioner of corrections shall administer all 42 other laws affecting the custody, control, treatment 43 and employment of persons sentenced or committed to 44 institutions under the supervision of the department 45 or affecting the operation and administration of 46 institutions or functions of the department.

47 The final determination regarding the release of 48 inmates from penal institutions and the final determi-49 nation regarding revocation of parolees from such 50 institutions pursuant to the provisions of article 51 twelve, chapter sixty-two of this code shall remain 52 within the exclusive jurisdiction of the board of 53 probation and parole.



Enr. S. B. No. 577]

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing (oill)'s correctly mrolled Chairman Senate Commit Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

In effect from passage. Clerk of the Senate Clerk of President of the Senate Speaker House of Delegates appros this the . A The within. day of ... ., 1993.

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