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AN ACT to amend and reenact section twenty-two, article fifteen, chapter eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended; relating to vacancies in paid fire departments; requiring completion of apprenticeship before eligibility for promotion; and exceptions.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

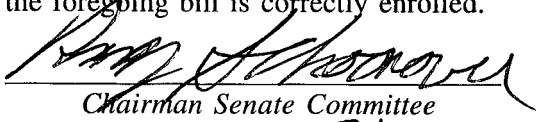
ARTICLE 15. FIRE FIGHTING; FIRE COMPANIES AND DEPARTMENTS; CIVIL SERVICE FOR PAID FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

§8-15-22. Vacancies filled by promotions; eligibility for promotion.

1 Vacancies in positions in a paid fire department shall
2 be filled, so far as practicable, by promotions from among
3 individuals holding positions in the next lower grade in
4 the department. Promotions shall be based upon
5 experience and by competitive examinations to be

6 provided by the firemen's civil service commission:
7 *Provided*, That no individual shall be eligible for
8 promotion from the lower grade to the next higher grade
9 until such individual shall have completed at least two
10 years of continuous service in the next lower grade in the
11 department immediately prior to said examination and has
12 completed the registered apprenticeship and certification
13 program under article twenty-nine-a, chapter thirty of this
14 code: *Provided*, That completion of the registered
15 apprenticeship and certification program as a requirement
16 for promotion shall apply only to those firefighters
17 employed since the twelfth day of June, one thousand nine
18 hundred eighty-seven. The commission shall have the
19 power to determine in each instance whether an increase in
20 salary constitutes a promotion.

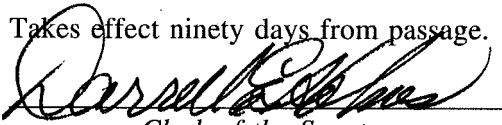
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.


Chairman Senate Committee

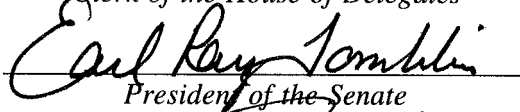

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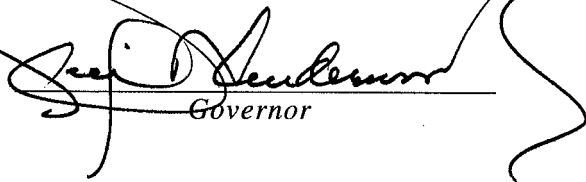

Clerk of the Senate


Clerk of the House of Delegates


President of the Senate


Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within approved this the 6th
day of April, 1998.


Governor

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