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SENATE BILL NO.		774	
(By Senator _	WOOTON	I, ET AL)

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Senate Bill No. 774

(By Senators Wooton, Ball, Bowman, Dittmar, Fanning, Hunter, Oliverio, Ross, Schoonover, Snyder, White and Scott)

[Passed March 13, 1998; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article one, chapter five-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section ten, relating to requiring state agencies to supply certain information to the Legislature regarding federally mandated statutory changes; information required; and penalty.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 1. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION.

§5A-1-10. Required information regarding federally mandated changes in state law; penalty.

- 1 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this code to the
- 2 contrary, any agency of this state seeking a change in state
- 3 law based upon a purported need to be in compliance with
- 4 federal law shall, prior to the fifteenth day of the legisla-
- 5 tive session in which the statutory change or changes are
- 6 sought, provide in writing to the president of the Senate
- 7 and speaker of the House of Delegates a written request
- 8 for the statutory changes.
- 9 (b) The request referred to in subsection (a) of this
- 10 section shall include or be accompanied by:
- 11 (1) A complete statement of any federal moneys which
- 12 would be lost by failure to comply along with documenta-
- 13 tion supporting the amount set forth;
- 14 (2) A copy of the specific federal law requiring said
- 15 change;
- 16 (3) A copy of the specific provision of the code of federal
- 17 regulations or federal register mandating the change in
- 18 state law;
- 19 (4) Where possible, correspondence from the federal
- 20 agency charged with enforcing or approving state compli-
- 21 ance with such federal law or regulation setting forth the
- 22 necessary changes;
- 23 (5) A statement of any exemptions or exceptions avail-
- 24 able which would allow the state not to comply with the
- 25 federal law;
- 26 (6) A detailed fiscal note; and
- 27 (7) Where compliance with the requirement in subsec-
- 28 tion (a) of this section that the documents and request be
- 29 provided is not met, a written explanation setting forth
- 30 the reasons for the failure to comply.

- 31 (c) Negligent or willful failure to comply with the
- 32 provisions of this section shall constitute grounds for
- 33 discharge for the person or persons charged as part of his
- 34 or her employment with compliance with this section.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
Chairman Senate Committee
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Originated in the Senate.
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Speaker House of Delegates
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