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AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article twenty, chapter twenty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, continuing the West Virginia women's commission.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 20. WOMEN'S COMMISSION.

§29-20-1. Continuation; membership; appointment and terms of members; organization; reimbursement for expenses.

- The West Virginia commission on the status of women is hereby abolished, and there is hereby continued within
- 3 the department of health and human resources the West
- 4 Virginia women's commission, to consist of eighteen
- 5 members, seven of whom shall be ex officio members, not
- 6 entitled to vote: The attorney general, the state
- 7 superintendent of schools, the commissioner of labor, the
- 8 commissioner of the bureau of human resources of the
- 9 department of health and human resources, the director of 10 the human rights commission, the director of the division

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11 of personnel and the chancellor of the board of directors 12 of the state college system. Each ex officio member may 13 designate one representative employed by his or her 14 department to meet with the commission in his or her 15 absence. The governor shall appoint the additional eleven 16 members, by and with the advice and consent of the 17 Senate, from among the citizens of the state. 18 governor shall designate the chairman and vice chairman 19 of the commission and the commission may elect such 20 other officers as it deems necessary. The members shall 21 serve a term beginning the first day of July, one thousand 22 nine hundred seventy-seven, three to serve for a term of 23 one year, four to serve for a term of two years and the 24 remaining four to serve for a term of three years. The 2.5 successors of the members initially appointed as provided 26 herein shall be appointed for a term of three years each in 2.7 the same manner as the members initially appointed under 28 this article, except that any person appointed to fill a 29 vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for 30 which his or her predecessor was appointed shall be 31 appointed for the remainder of such term. Each member 32 shall serve until the appointment and qualification of his 33 or her successor.

No member may receive any salary for his or her services, but each may be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of his or her duties out of funds received by the commission under section four of this article, except that in the event the expenses are paid, or are to be paid, by a third party, the members shall not be reimbursed by the commission.

After having conducted a performance audit through its joint committee on government operations, pursuant to section nine, article ten, chapter four of this code, the Legislature hereby finds and declares that the West Virginia women's commission should be continued and reestablished. Accordingly, notwithstanding the provisions of section four, article ten, chapter four of this code, the West Virginia women's commission shall continue to exist until the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-nine.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled. Chairman Senate Committee Chairman House Committee
Originating in the House.
Takes effect ninety days from passage. Clerk of the Senate Bugan, In. Bud Clerk of the House of Delegates President of the Senate Speaker of the House of Delegates
The within approved this the 4th day of, 1998.

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GOVERNOR

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