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AN ACT to amend and reenact section five, article nine, chapter eighteen-b of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to raising classified employee salaries by changing the experience increment from thirty-six dollars to fifty dollars.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 9. CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE SALARY SCHEDULE AND CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM.

§18B-9-5. Classified employee salary.

- 1 (a) Each classified employee shall receive for the same
- 2 employment at the same pay grade, subject to an
- 3 appropriation by the Legislature, and in addition to the
- 4 experience increment increase provided for in subsection
- 5 (b) of this section, a monthly salary which is at least one
- 6 hundred twenty-five dollars more than the final base
- 7 monthly salary paid the classified employee for the fiscal
- 8 year commencing on the first day of July, one thousand

9 nine hundred ninety-two, to be paid in equal installments
10 within the regular pay periods and to be prorated for
11 classified employees working less than thirty-seven and
12 one-half hours per week.

13 (b) Commencing with the fiscal year beginning on the
14 first day of July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-eight,
15 and each fiscal year thereafter, each classified employee
16 with three or more years of experience shall receive an
17 annual salary increase equal to fifty dollars times the
18 employee's years of experience: *Provided*, That the
19 annual salary increase may not exceed the amount granted
20 for the maximum of twenty years of experience. These
21 incremental increases are in lieu of any salary increase
22 received pursuant to section two, article five, chapter five
23 of this code; are in addition to any across-the-board, cost-
24 of-living or percentage salary increases which may be
25 granted in any fiscal year by the Legislature; and shall be
26 paid in like manner as the annual payment to eligible state
27 employees of the incremental salary increases based on
28 years of service under the provisions of section two, article
29 five, chapter five of this code.

30 (c) Any classified employee may receive merit
31 increases and salary adjustments in accordance with
32 policies established by the board: *Provided*, That funds
33 for the increases and adjustments shall be distributed in
34 accordance with rules of the appropriate governing board
35 and shall be available to all state institutions of higher
36 education on an equitable basis.

37 (d) The current annual salary of any classified
38 employee may not be reduced by the provisions of this
39 article nor by any other action inconsistent with the
40 provisions of this article, and nothing in this article may be
41 construed to prohibit promotion of any classified
42 employee to a job title carrying a higher pay grade if the
43 promotion is in accordance with the provisions of this
44 article and the personnel classification system established
45 by the appropriate governing board.

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

Ray Schorover
Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect July 1, 1998.

Carol E. Helms
Clerk of the Senate

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Carl Ray Tomblin
President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within *approved* this the *27th*
day of *March*, 1998.

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