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House Bill No. 2170

(By Delegate Smirl)

Passed March 11, 1999

In Effect Ninety Days from Passage
AN ACT to amend article seven, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-three, relating to awarding a deputy his or her service pistol upon retirement subject to certain conditions.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 7. TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES, ETC.; COMPENSATION OF ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS; COUNTY ASSISTANTS, DEPUTIES AND EMPLOYEES, THEIR NUMBER AND COMPENSATION.

§7-7-23. Awarding service pistol upon retirement.

1 (a) Upon the retirement of a deputy from the sheriff’s department, the county commission shall authorize the sheriff to award to the retiring deputy his or her service pistol upon determining:

1 (1) That the retiring deputy is retiring honorably with at least twenty years of service; or
(2) The retiring deputy is retiring with less than twenty years of service based upon a determination that the deputy is totally physically disabled.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, a sheriff shall not award his or her service pistol to any retiring deputy medically determined to be mentally incapacitated or to constitute a danger to self or others.
That 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

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within approve this the day of , 1999.