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AN ACT to amend and reenact section three, article fourteen, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to the West Virginia commission for the deaf and hard-of-hearing; establishing authority over the commission to the department of health and human resources.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

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

**ARTICLE 14. WEST VIRGINIA COMMISSION FOR THE DEAF AND  
HARD-OF-HEARING.**

**§5-14-3. Continuation of commission; membership.**

- 1 The West Virginia commission for the deaf and hard-of-
- 2 hearing is hereby continued within the department of health and
- 3 human resources consisting of fifteen persons, eight of whom
- 4 shall serve ex officio. The remaining members are appointed by
- 5 the governor by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.
- 6 The commission shall meet no less than four times annually.
- 7 All meetings and activities held by the commission shall be

8 attended by at least two qualified interpreters who shall be hired  
9 at the commission's expense or provided free of charge by  
10 agencies, organizations or individuals willing to volunteer  
11 qualified interpreters. The members are:

12 (1) The secretary, or his or her designee, of the department  
13 of health and human resources; the commissioner, or his or her  
14 designee, of the division of labor; the director, or his or her  
15 designee, of the division of health; the state superintendent of  
16 schools, or his or her designee, of the state board of education;  
17 the director, or his or her designee, of the division of rehabilita-  
18 tion; the director, or his or her designee, of the division of  
19 handicapped children's services in the division of human  
20 services; the chairman, or his or her designee, of the advisory  
21 council for the education of exceptional children; and the  
22 superintendent, or his or her designee, of the West Virginia  
23 School for the deaf, all of whom serve ex officio; and

24 (2) Seven persons appointed by the governor, at least three  
25 of whom are deaf or hard-of-hearing, one of whom is the parent  
26 of a deaf child, one of whom is a certified teacher of the  
27 hearing-impaired, one audiologist and one otolaryngologist. Of  
28 the three deaf people, at least two shall be selected from a list  
29 of four people recommended by the board of the West Virginia  
30 association of the deaf.

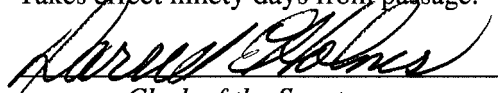
That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

  
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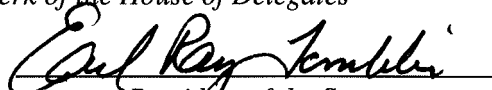
  
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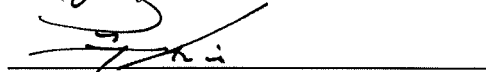
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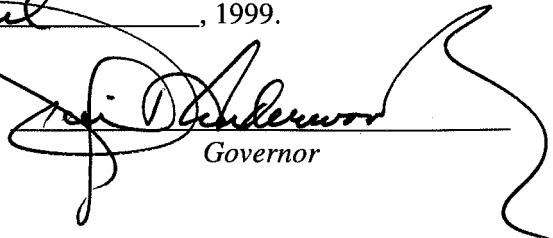
  
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Clerk of the House of Delegates

  
President of the Senate

  
Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within approved this the 2nd  
day of April, 1999.

  
Governor

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