WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
Regular Session, 2002

ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 267

(By Senators Mitchell and Kessler)

PASSED March 9, 2002

In Effect ninety days from Passage
AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article four, chapter seven of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to allowing county prosecuting attorneys' investigators to hold other employment with the permission of the county prosecuting attorney and county commission.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

ARTICLE 4. PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, REWARDS AND LEGAL ADVICE.

§7-4-2. Rewards for apprehension of persons charged with crime and expenditure of money for detection of crime; appointment of investigators of crime.

1 The prosecuting attorney of any county, with the approval of the county commission, or of the governor, or of
the court of the county vested with authority to try
criminal offenses, or of the judge thereof in vacation, may,
within his discretion, offer rewards for the apprehension
of persons charged with crime, or may expend money for
the detection of crime. Any money expended under this
section shall, when approved by the prosecuting attorney,
be paid out of the county fund in the same manner as other
county expenses are paid: Provided, That the prosecuting
attorneys of the several counties of the state may, with the
approval of the county commissions of their respective
counties, entered of record, appoint to assist them in the
discharge of their official duties trained and qualified full-
time or part-time investigators of crime. Such full-time
investigators shall accept no other public employment or
employment in a private police or investigative capacity
during the term of their appointment without prior
approval of the county commission and county prosecuting
attorney and shall be paid such salary and expenses as
may be fixed by the county commission. Such expenses
shall be itemized and sworn to by the investigator upon
presentation to the county commission.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the
contrary, the prosecuting attorney of any county, with the
consent of the judge of the court of competent jurisdiction
and the county commission, may appoint an investigator
of crime who need not be a resident of this state.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 3rd
Day of April, 2002.

Governor