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AN ACT to amend and reenact §15-2-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to limiting the age of applicants for appointment to membership in the West Virginia State Police.

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

That §15-2-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 2. WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE.**

**§15-2-7. Cadet selection board; qualifications for and appointment to membership in State Police; civilian employees.**

- 1 (a) The superintendent shall establish within the West
- 2 Virginia State Police a cadet selection board which shall
- 3 be representative of commissioned and noncommissioned
- 4 officers within the State Police.

5 (b) The superintendent shall appoint a member to the  
6 position of trooper from among the top three names on the  
7 current list of eligible applicants established by the cadet  
8 selection board.

9 (c) Preference in making appointments shall be given  
10 whenever possible to honorably discharged members of  
11 the Armed Forces of the United States and to residents of  
12 West Virginia. Each applicant for appointment shall be a  
13 person not less than twenty-one years of age nor more  
14 than thirty-nine years of age, of sound constitution and  
15 good moral character; is required to pass any mental and  
16 physical examination; and meet other requirements as  
17 provided in rules promulgated by the cadet selection  
18 board: *Provided*, That a former member may, at the  
19 discretion of the superintendent, be reenlisted.

20 (d) No person may be barred from becoming a member  
21 of the State Police because of his or her religious or  
22 political convictions.

23 (e) The superintendent shall adhere to the principles of  
24 equal employment opportunity set forth in article eleven,  
25 chapter five of this code and shall take positive steps to  
26 encourage applications for State Police membership from  
27 females and minority groups within the state. An annual  
28 report shall be filed with the Legislature on or before  
29 January 1 of each year by the superintendent which  
30 includes a summary of the efforts and the effectiveness of  
31 those efforts intended to recruit females, African-Ameri-  
32 cans and other minorities into the ranks of the State  
33 Police.

34 (f) Except for the superintendent, no person may be  
35 appointed or enlisted to membership in the State Police at  
36 a grade or rank above the grade of trooper.


37 (g) The superintendent shall appoint civilian employees  
38 as are necessary and all employees may be included in the

39 classified service of the civil service system except those in  
40 positions exempt under the provisions of article six,  
41 chapter twenty-nine of this code.

42 (h) Effective July 1, 2001, civilian employees with a  
43 minimum of five years' service shall receive a salary  
44 increase equal to \$100 a year for each year of service as a  
45 civilian employee. Every three years thereafter, civilian  
46 employees who have five or more years of service shall  
47 receive an annual salary increase of \$300. The increases in  
48 salary provided by this subsection are in addition to any  
49 other increases to which the civilian employees might  
50 otherwise be entitled.

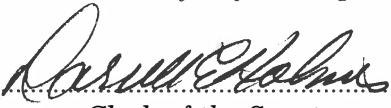
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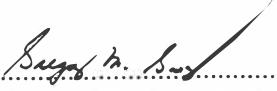
  
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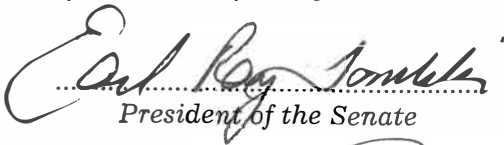
  
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Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 31<sup>st</sup>  
Day of March, 2010.

  
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