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AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §22A-6-12; relating to directing the Board of Coal Mine Health and Safety to conduct a study of strengthening of protections for whistleblowers of unsafe working conditions in mines.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

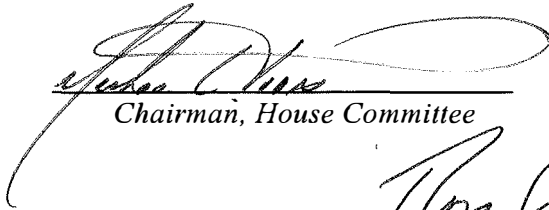
That the Code of West Virginia, 1931 as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §22A-6-12, to read as follows:

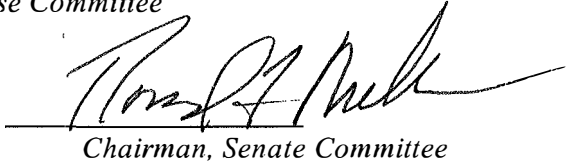
ARTICLE 6. BOARD OF COAL MINE HEALTH AND SAFETY.

§22A-6-12. Study of whistleblower protections.

1 *Study of Whistleblower protections.* -- The Board of
2 Coal Mine Health and Safety is directed to conduct a study
3 of the need to expand protections for whistleblowers and
4 other miners who refuse to work in situations they perceive
5 as unsafe in underground mines. The Board shall study the
6 benefits and appropriateness of requiring additional
7 protections that will encourage miners to withdrawal from
8 and report unsafe working conditions. The Board shall
9 investigate whether any pattern of retribution exists against
10 these persons, and if so make recommendations to the
11 Legislature regarding implementing additional protections.
12 The Board shall report to the Legislature's Joint
13 Committee on Government and Finance by December 31,
14 2011 with recommendations regarding whether it is
15 appropriate to implement any additional protections.

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

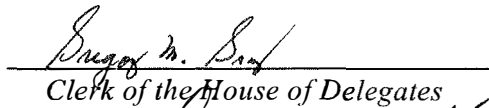

Chairman, House Committee

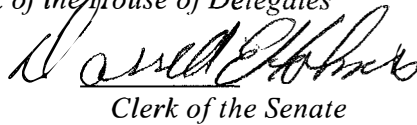

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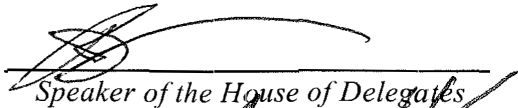
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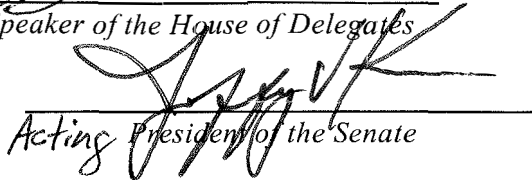
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Speaker of the House of Delegates


Acting President of the Senate

The within is approved this the 30th
day of March, 2011.


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