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1 AN ACT to amend and reenact §5F-1-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, and to  
2 amend and reenact §5F-2-1 of said code; all relating to reorganizing the Department of  
3 Health and Human Resources; separating the Department of Health and Human  
4 Resources into two departments; creating the Department of Health; creating the  
5 Department of Human Resources; establishing the organizational structure of the  
6 Department of Health; and establishing the organizational structure of the Department of  
7 Human Services.

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

**ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

**§5F-1-2. Executive departments created; offices of secretary created.**

- 1 (a) There are created, within the executive branch of the state government, the following  
2 departments:
- 3 (1) Department of Administration;
  - 4 (2) Department of Environmental Protection;
  - 5 (3) Department of Health;
  - 6 (4) Department of Homeland Security;
  - 7 (5) Department of Revenue;
  - 8 (6) Department of Transportation;
  - 9 (7) Department of Commerce;
  - 10 (8) Department of Veterans' Assistance;
  - 11 (9) Department of Economic Development;
  - 12 (10) Department of Tourism; and
  - 13 (11) Department of Human Resources.
- 14 (b) Each department will be headed by a secretary appointed by the Governor with the  
15 advice and consent of the Senate. Each secretary serves at the will and pleasure of the Governor.

16 (c) The changes made to this section during the 2022 regular legislative session become  
17 effective on January 1, 2023.

## **ARTICLE 2. TRANSFER OF AGENCIES AND BOARDS.**

### **§5F-2-1. Transfer and incorporation of agencies and boards; funds.**

1 (a) The following agencies and boards, including all of the allied, advisory, affiliated, or  
2 related entities and funds associated with any agency or board, are incorporated in and  
3 administered as a part of the Department of Administration:

4 (1) Public Employees Insurance Agency provided in §5-16-1 *et seq.* of this code;

5 (2) Governor's Mansion Advisory Committee provided in §5A-5-1 *et seq.* of this code;

6 (3) Commission on Uniform State Laws provided in §29-1A-1 *et seq.* of this code;

7 (4) West Virginia Public Employees Grievance Board provided in §6C-3-1 *et seq.* of this  
8 code;

9 (5) Board of Risk and Insurance Management provided in §29-12-1 *et seq.* of this code;

10 (6) Boundary Commission provided in §29-23-1 *et seq.* of this code;

11 (7) Public Defender Services provided in §29-21-1 *et seq.* of this code;

12 (8) Division of Personnel provided in §29-6-1 *et seq.* of this code;

13 (9) The West Virginia Ethics Commission provided in §6B-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;

14 (10) Consolidated Public Retirement Board provided in §5-10D-1 *et seq.* of this code; and

15 (11) Real Estate Division provided in §5A-10-1 *et seq.* of this code.

16 (b) The following agencies and boards, including all of the allied, advisory, affiliated, or  
17 related entities and funds associated with any agency or board, are incorporated in and  
18 administered as a part of the Department of Commerce:

19 (1) Division of Labor provided in §21-1-1 *et seq.* of this code, which includes:

20 (A) Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission provided in §21-3A-1 *et seq.* of  
21 this code; and

22 (B) Board of Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety provided in §21-9-1 *et seq.*  
23 of this code.

24 (2) Office of Miners' Health, Safety, and Training provided in §22A-1-1 *et seq.* of this code.

25 The following boards are transferred to the Office of Miners' Health, Safety, and Training for  
26 purposes of administrative support and liaison with the Office of the Governor:

27 (A) Board of Coal Mine Health and Safety and Coal Mine Safety and Technical Review  
28 Committee provided in §22A-6-1 *et seq.* of this code;

29 (B) Board of Miner Training, Education, and Certification provided in §22A-7-1 *et seq.* of  
30 this code; and

31 (C) Mine Inspectors' Examining Board provided in §22A-9-1 *et seq.* of this code.

32 (3) Division of Natural Resources and Natural Resources Commission provided in §20-1-  
33 1 *et seq.* of this code;

34 (4) Division of Forestry provided in §19-1A-1 *et seq.* of this code;

35 (5) Geological and Economic Survey provided in §29-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;

36 (6) Workforce West Virginia provided in chapter 21A of this code, which includes:

37 (A) Division of Unemployment Compensation;

38 (B) Division of Employment Service;

39 (C) Division of Workforce Development; and

40 (D) Division of Research, Information and Analysis; and

41 (7) Division of Rehabilitation Services provided in §18-10A-1 *et seq.* of this code.

42 (c) The Economic Development Authority provided in §31-15-1 *et seq.* of this code is  
43 continued as an independent agency within the executive branch.

44 (d) The Water Development Authority and the Water Development Authority Board  
45 provided in §22C-1-1 *et seq.* of this code is continued as an independent agency within the  
46 executive branch.

47 (e) The West Virginia Educational Broadcasting Authority provided in §10-5-1 *et seq.* of  
48 this code is continued as a separate independent agency within the Department of Arts, Culture,  
49 and History, which shall provide administrative support for the authority.

50 (f) The Division of Culture and History as established in §29-1-1 *et seq.* of this code is  
51 continued as a separate independent agency within the Executive Branch as the Department of  
52 Arts, Culture, and History. All references throughout this code to the “Division of Culture and  
53 History” means the “Department of Arts, Culture, and History”.

54 (g) The following agencies and boards, including all of the allied, advisory, and affiliated  
55 entities, are transferred to the Department of Environmental Protection for purposes of  
56 administrative support and liaison with the Office of the Governor:

57 (1) Air Quality Board provided in §22B-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;

58 (2) Solid Waste Management Board provided in §22C-3-1 *et seq.* of this code;

59 (3) Environmental Quality Board, or its successor board, provided in §22B-3-1 *et seq.* of  
60 this code;

61 (4) Surface Mine Board provided in §22B-4-1 *et seq.* of this code;

62 (5) Oil and Gas Inspectors' Examining Board provided in §22C-7-1 *et seq.* of this code;

63 (6) Shallow Gas Well Review Board provided in §22C-8-1 *et seq.* of this code; and

64 (7) Oil and Gas Conservation Commission provided in §22C-9-1 *et seq.* of this code.

65 (h) Notwithstanding any other provision of code, effective January 1, 2023, the following  
66 agencies and boards, including all of the allied, advisory, affiliated, or related entities and funds  
67 associated with any agency or board, are incorporated in and administered as a part of the  
68 Department of Human Resources:

69 (1) Bureau of Social Services;

70 (2) Bureau of Medical Services;

71 (3) Bureau for Child Support Enforcement provided in §48-1-1 *et seq.* of this code;

72 (4) Bureau of Family Assistance; and

73 (5) Bureau of Behavioral Health:

74 (A) Office of Drug Control Policy;

75 (B) Office of Maternal Child & Family Health.

76 (i) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of code, effective January 1, 2023, the following  
77 agencies and boards, including all of the allied, advisory, affiliated, or related entities and funds  
78 associated with any agency or board, are incorporated in and administered as a part of the  
79 Department of Health:

80 (A) Bureau for Public Health:

81 (i) Office of Emergency Medical Services and the Emergency Medical Service Advisory  
82 Council provided in §16-4C-1 *et seq.* of this code;

83 (ii) Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

84 (B) Bureau for Health Facilities;

85 (C) Bureau of the Inspector General;

86 (D) Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification;

87 (E) Health Care Authority;

88 (2) If a bureau, office, board, commission or other state entity is not specifically organized  
89 in this subsection or subsection (h), the secretaries shall decide where the entity shall be placed  
90 within the organizational chart and provide a copy of the organizational chart to the Legislative  
91 Commission on Health and Human Resources Accountability by February 1, 2023. The changes  
92 made in this subsection and subsection (h) affect the organizational structure and provides for  
93 which secretary is the final decision maker for the stated bureaus. Budgetary changes are not  
94 effective until July 1, 2023.

95 (j) The following agencies and boards, including all of the allied, advisory, affiliated, or  
96 related entities and funds associated with any agency or board, are incorporated in and  
97 administered as a part of the Department of Homeland Security:

98 (1) West Virginia State Police;

99           (2) Division of Emergency Management provided in §15-5-1 *et seq.* of this code and  
100   Emergency Response Commission provided in §15-5A-1 *et seq.* of this code: *Provided*, That  
101   notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the contrary, whenever in this code, or a rule  
102   promulgated thereunder, a reference is made to the Division of Homeland Security and  
103   Emergency Management, it shall be construed to mean the Division of Emergency Management;

104           (3) Division of Administrative Services;

105           (4) Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation;

106           (5) Fire Commission;

107           (6) The State Fire Marshal;

108           (7) Board of Probation and Parole;

109           (8) The West Virginia Fusion Center;

110           (9) The Division of Protective Services; and

111           (10) Any other agency or entity hereinafter established within the Department of Homeland  
112   Security by an act of the Legislature.

113           (j) The following agencies and boards, including all of the allied, advisory, affiliated, or  
114   related entities and funds associated with any agency or board, are incorporated in and  
115   administered as a part of the Department of Revenue:

116           (1) Tax Division provided in chapter 11 of this code;

117           (2) Racing Commission provided in §19-23-1 *et seq.* of this code;

118           (3) Lottery Commission and position of Lottery Director provided in §29-22-1 of this code;

119           (4) Insurance Commissioner provided in §33-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;

120           (5) West Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control Commissioner provided in §11-16-1 *et seq.* of  
121   this code and §60-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;

122           (6) Board of Banking and Financial Institutions provided in §31A-3-1 *et seq.* of this code;

123           (7) Lending and Credit Rate Board provided in chapter 47A of this code;

124           (8) Division of Financial Institutions provided in §31A-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;

125 (9) The State Budget Office provided in §11B-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;

126 (10) The Municipal Bond Commission provided in §13-3-1 *et seq.* of this code;

127 (11) The Office of Tax Appeals provided in §11-10A-1 of this code; and

128 (12) The State Athletic Commission provided in §29-5A-1 *et seq.* of this code.

129 (k) The following agencies and boards, including all of the allied, advisory, affiliated, or  
130 related entities and funds associated with any agency or board, are incorporated in and  
131 administered as a part of the Department of Transportation:

132 (1) Division of Highways provided in §17-2A-1 *et seq.* of this code;

133 (2) Parkways Authority provided in §17-16A-1 *et seq.* of this code;

134 (3) Division of Motor Vehicles provided in §17A-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;

135 (4) Driver's Licensing Advisory Board provided in §17B-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;

136 (5) Aeronautics Commission provided in §29-2A-1 *et seq.* of this code;

137 (6) State Rail Authority provided in §29-18-1 *et seq.* of this code; and

138 (7) Public Port Authority provided in §17-16B-1 *et seq.* of this code.

139 (l) Effective July 1, 2011, the Veterans' Council provided in §9A-1-1 *et seq.* of this code,  
140 including all of the allied, advisory, affiliated, or related entities and funds associated with it, is  
141 incorporated in and administered as a part of the Department of Veterans' Assistance.

142 (m) Except for powers, authority, and duties that have been delegated to the secretaries  
143 of the departments by of §5F-2-2 of this code, the position of administrator and the powers,  
144 authority, and duties of each administrator and agency are not affected by the enactment of this  
145 chapter.

146 (n) Except for powers, authority, and duties that have been delegated to the secretaries  
147 of the departments by §5F-2-2 of this code, the existence, powers, authority, and duties of boards  
148 and the membership, terms, and qualifications of members of the boards are not affected by the  
149 enactment of this chapter. All boards that are appellate bodies or are independent decision

150 makers may not have their appellate or independent decision-making status affected by the  
151 enactment of this chapter.

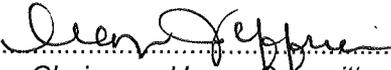
152 (o) Any department previously transferred to and incorporated in a department by prior  
153 enactment of this section means a division of the appropriate department. Wherever reference is  
154 made to any department transferred to and incorporated in a department created in §5F-1-2 of  
155 this code, the reference means a division of the appropriate department and any reference to a  
156 division of a department so transferred and incorporated means a section of the appropriate  
157 division of the department.

158 (p) When an agency, board, or commission is transferred under a bureau or agency other  
159 than a department headed by a secretary pursuant to this section, that transfer is solely for  
160 purposes of administrative support and liaison with the Office of the Governor, a department  
161 secretary, or a bureau. Nothing in this section extends the powers of department secretaries  
162 under §5F-2-2 of this code to any person other than a department secretary and nothing limits or  
163 abridges the statutory powers and duties of statutory commissioners or officers pursuant to this  
164 code.

165 (q) The Department of Economic Development as established in §5B-2-1 *et seq.* of this  
166 code is continued as a separate independent agency within the Executive Branch.

167 (r) The Department of Tourism as established in §5B-2I-1 *et seq.* of this code is continued  
168 as a separate independent agency within the Executive Branch.

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

  
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Chairman, House Committee

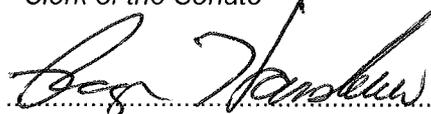
  
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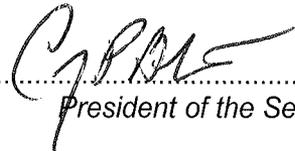
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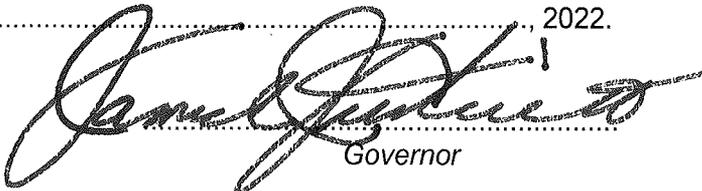
  
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President of the Senate

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The within is disapproved..... this the 30<sup>th</sup>.....  
day of March....., 2022.

  
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Governor

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