

H. B. 4002

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Committee on Government Organization.]

A BILL to amend and reenact §30-1-2a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to annual seminar requirements for professional licensing boards.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §30-1-2a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO
ALL STATE BOARDS OF EXAMINATION
OR REGISTRATION REFERRED TO IN
CHAPTER.**

§30-1-2a. Required orientation session.

- 1 (a) The Auditor shall provide at least one seminar each
- 2 year for state licensing boards to inform the boards of the

3 duties and requirements imposed by state law and rules. All
4 state agencies shall cooperate with and assist in providing the
5 seminar if the Auditor requests.

6 (b) The seminar may include the following topics:

7 (1) Powers and duties of the boards and board members;

8 (2) The financial procedures for boards;

9 (3) Purchasing requirements;

10 (4) Open meeting requirements;

11 (5) Ethics;

12 (6) Rule-making procedures;

13 (7) Procedures for the handling of complaints,

14 investigations and administrative hearings;

15 (8) Disciplinary actions available to boards;

16 (9) Records management procedures;

17 (10) Annual reports; and

18 (11) Any other topics the Auditor determines necessary

19 or informative.

20 (c) (1) The board members and the executive director or

21 the chief financial officer of a board newly created under the

22 provisions of this chapter shall attend a seminar provided
23 under this section within one year of the creation of the
24 board.

25 (2) The chairperson, the executive director or the chief
26 financial officer of the board shall annually attend a seminar
27 provided under this section.

28 (3) Each board member shall attend at least one seminar
29 provided under this section during each term of office.

30 (d) The Auditor may charge a registration fee for the
31 seminar to cover the cost of providing the seminar. The fee
32 may be paid from funds available to a board and a board may
33 approve an expense reimbursement for the attendance of its
34 members, executive director and the chief financial officer of
35 the board.

36 (e) Prior to January 1 of each year, the Auditor shall
37 provide to the chairs of the Joint Standing Committee on
38 Government Organization a list of:

39 (1) The names and titles of the persons who attended the
40 seminar;

- 41 (2) The boards represented; and
- 42 (3) The number and dates of the seminars offered by the
- 43 Auditor during the previous year.
- 44 (f) Ex officio members who are elected or appointed state
- 45 officers or employees and members of boards that have
- 46 purely advisory functions with respect to a department or
- 47 agency of the state are exempt from the requirements of this
- 48 section.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to revise the subject matter and attendance requirements for professional licensing boards' annual seminar.

This section has been completely rewritten; therefore, it has been completely underscored.