

1 rank or pay as a full-time deputy sheriff, as defined in said
2 section two, of any county in the State of West Virginia subject to
3 the provisions hereof, in any manner or by any means other than
4 those prescribed in this article.

5 Upon law-enforcement certification, all deputy sheriffs shall
6 be provided necessary equipment by the county commission and the
7 sheriff's office as appropriate to perform his or her duties. The
8 equipment provided shall include, but not be limited to, a
9 ballistic vest which meets the performance standards established by
10 the National Law-Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center of
11 the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) as published in NIJ
12 Standard 0101.03, or any formal revision of this standard.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to ensure deputy sheriffs are issued ballistic vests upon certification as law-enforcement officers.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.