2 (By Senators Wells, Fitzsimmons, Green, Yost and Snyder) 3 [Introduced March 13, 2013; referred to the Committee on 4 5 Government Organization; and then to the Committee on Finance.] 6 7 8 9 10 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by 11 adding thereto a new section, designated §6-7-2b, relating to 12 exception to limitation on salaries of certain appointive 13 state officers. 14 Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia: That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended 15 16 by adding thereto a new section, designated §6-7-2b, to read as 17 follows: 18 ARTICLE 7. COMPENSATION AND ALLOWANCES. 19 §6-7-2b. Authority to receive a certain salary. 20 Commencing July 1, 2013, a state employee who has been in his 21 or her position at least two years prior to being appointed to the 22 position of a state officer as set out in section two-a of this 23 article, who receives a salary in his or her position that is

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- 1 higher than the state officer salary, is hereby authorized to
- 2 continue receiving the higher salary while serving as the
- 3 appointive state officer.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to permit state employees to be appointed to and serve in certain state offices for which salaries are set by statute, without taking a reduction in pay.

This section is new; therefore, strike-throughs and underscoring have been omitted.