

H. B. 2523

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[Introduced January 30, 2015; referred to the
Committee on Finance.]

A BILL to amend and reenact §15-2-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to creating a special revenue account to offset costs for the West Virginia State Police 100th Anniversary in 2019.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §15-2-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. WEST VIRGINIA STATE POLICE.

§15-2-3. State Police structure; how established; training; special revenue account.

- 1 (a) The superintendent shall create, appoint and equip the
- 2 State Police which shall consist of the number of troops, districts

3 and detachments required for the proper administration of the
4 State Police. Each troop, district or detachment shall be
5 composed of the number of officers and members the
6 superintendent determines are necessary to meet operational
7 needs and are required for the efficient operation of the State
8 Police. The superintendent shall establish the general
9 organizational structure of the State Police by interpretive rule
10 in accordance with the provisions of article three, chapter
11 twenty-nine-a of this code. The superintendent shall provide
12 adequate facilities for the training of all members of the State
13 Police and shall prescribe basic training requirements for newly
14 enlisted members. He or she shall also provide advanced or
15 in-service training from time to time for all members of the State
16 Police. The superintendent shall hold entry-level training classes
17 for other law-enforcement officers in the state without cost to
18 those officers, except actual expenses for food, lodging and
19 school supplies. The superintendent may hold advanced levels of
20 training classes for other law-enforcement officers in the state
21 for a reasonable daily fee per student not to exceed \$100.

22 (b) There is hereby created in the State Treasury a special
23 revenue account, which shall be an interest bearing account, to
24 be known as the Academy Training and Professional
25 Development Fund. The special revenue account shall consist of
26 training fees, any appropriations that may be made by the
27 Legislature, income from the investment of moneys held in the
28 special revenue account and all other sums available for deposit
29 to the special revenue account from any source, public or
30 private. No expenditures for purposes of this section are
31 authorized from collections except in accordance with the
32 provisions of article three, chapter twelve of this code and upon
33 fulfillment of the provisions set forth in article two, chapter
34 eleven-b of this code. Any balance remaining in the special
35 revenue account at the end of any state fiscal year does not revert
36 to the General Revenue Fund but remains in the special revenue
37 account and shall be used solely in a manner consistent with this
38 article. The superintendent is authorized to expend funds from
39 the account to offset operational and training costs; for building
40 maintenance and repair, for purchases and for equipment repair
41 or replacement for the West Virginia State Police Academy; and

42 to defray necessary expenses incidental to those and other
43 activities associated with law-enforcement training.

44 (c) There is hereby created in the State Treasury a special
45 revenue account, which shall be an interest bearing account, to
46 be known as the State Police 100th Anniversary Fund. The
47 special revenue account shall consist of merchandise sales, any
48 appropriations that may be made by the Legislature, income
49 from the investment of moneys held in the special revenue
50 account and all other sums available for deposit to the special
51 revenue account from any source, public or private. No
52 expenditures for purposes of this section are authorized from
53 collections except in accordance with the provisions of article
54 three, chapter twelve of this code and upon fulfillment of the
55 provisions set forth in article two, chapter eleven-b of this code.
56 Any balance remaining in the special revenue account at the end
57 of any state fiscal year does not revert to the General Revenue
58 Fund but remains in the special revenue account and shall be
59 used solely in a manner consistent with this article. The
60 superintendent is authorized to expend funds from the account
61 to offset costs for the 100th Anniversary celebration; for

62 purchasing 100th Anniversary commemorative merchandise,
63 equipment, vehicles; and to defray necessary expenses incidental
64 to those and other activities associated with the 100th
65 Anniversary of the West Virginia State Police. This fund shall
66 expire on December 31, 2019 and remaining funds shall be
67 transferred to the Academy Training and Professional
68 Development Fund.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to create a special revenue account to offset costs for the West Virginia State Police 100th Anniversary in 2019.

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

