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House Bill 2134

By Delegate Fleischauer

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A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §5-16-29, relating to providing that state retirees’ insurance benefits be restored to the benefit levels that existed in 2015.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 16. WEST VIRGINIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES INSURANCE ACT.

§5-16-29. Retirants coverage restored to 2015 levels.

Notwithstanding any provision of this code to the contrary, effective July 1, 2021, retirants receiving an annuity from the West Virginia Public Employees Retirement System who also receive benefits from the Public Employees Insurance Agency shall have his or her medical insurance and prescription drug coverage restored to that which was in existence on June 30, 2015. The restored coverage shall include, but not be limited to, deductibles, co-pays, and coverage for dependents.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide that state retirees’ insurance benefits be restored to the benefit levels that existed in 2015.

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