# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

### **2021 REGULAR SESSION**

Introduced

## House Bill 2134

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[Introduced February 10, 2021; Referred to the

Committee on Pensions and Retirement then

Finance]

- 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
- 3 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.

- 1 Notwithstanding any provision of this code to the contrary, effective July 1, 2021, retirants
- 2 receiving an annuity from the West Virginia Public Employees Retirement System who also
- 3 receive benefits from the Public Employees Insurance Agency shall have his or her medical
- 4 insurance and prescription drug coverage restored to that which was in existence on June 30,
- 5 2015. The restored coverage shall include, but not be limited to, deductibles, co-pays, and
- 6 <u>coverage for dependents.</u>

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.