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House Bill 2425

By Delegate Keaton

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A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §5-1-31, relating to requiring regulatory agency heads have at least one year of experience within, or with a nexus to, the regulated industry.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

**ARTICLE 1. THE GOVERNOR.**

§5-1-31. Minimum work experience requirement for appointment as head of regulatory agency.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the contrary, and unless already required elsewhere in this code, in order to be appointed by the Governor, a head of a regulated agency must possess a minimum of one year of work experience within, or that has a nexus to, the industry regulated by that agency.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require that heads of regulatory agencies possess at least one year of work experience within the industry.

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