WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2024 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

Senate Bill 757

By Senators Weld, Caputo, Martin, Queen, and

Deeds

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to the Committee on Government Organization]

A BILL to amend and reenact §11A-1-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
to sheriff's commission for collection of taxes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1. ACCRUAL AND COLLECTION OF TAXES. §11A-1-17. Sheriff's commission for collection.

1 After the sheriff has collected eighty-five percent of the combined total of all taxes 2 assessed on real and personal property, he or she shall, in addition to the salary and 3 compensation now authorized by law, be allowed a commission as follows: Two and one-half 4 percent on the remainder of the taxes actually collected up to ninety percent of the combined total 5 of all taxes assessed on real and personal property, three and one-half percent of the remainder 6 collected above ninety percent and up to ninety-five percent of the combined total of all taxes 7 assessed on real and personal property, and five percent on the remainder of taxes collected above ninety-five percent of the combined total of all taxes assessed on real and personal 8 9 property. In all cases the taxes collected on which any commission shall be paid will be exclusive 10 of interest and charges thereon, if the collection be made before the delinquent list has been 11 approved by the county commission: Provided, That the total amount of commissions paid to any 12 sheriff shall not exceed the sum of \$15,000 in any one year annually. The commission so allowed 13 shall be determined by the county commission and charged against the various funds for which 14 the taxes are collected, and become a regular part of the budgeted and annual compensation of 15 the sheriff and paid in accordance with provisions of §7-7-9 of this code.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to clarify the sheriff's commission compensation for the job duty of tax collector for the county and fix the amount at \$15,000.

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