

Jim Justice Governor of West Virginia

March 28, 2018

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Mac Warner Secretary of State Building 1, Suite 157-K State Capitol Charleston, West Virginia 25305

RE: Enrolled Senate Bill 322

Dear Secretary Warner:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section Fourteen, Article VII of the Constitution of West Virginia, I hereby disapprove and return Enrolled Senate Bill 322.

Enrolled Senate Bill 322 amends and reenacts current West Virginia Code §19-1-3. The bill authorizes the Department of Agriculture's Commissioner of Agriculture to employ a general counsel and other such personnel necessary to perform the duties of the office.

The Attorney General's office currently provides legal services to the Department of Agriculture. The bill would provide for an expansion of government within the Department of Agriculture by authorizing the employment of a general counsel and other support staff.

For this reason, I must disapprove and return Enrolled Senate Bill 322.

Sincerely

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cc: The Honorable Mitch Carmichael
President of the Senate

The Honorable Tim Armstead
Speaker of the House of Delegates