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### House Bill 2949

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to the Committee on Technology and Infrastructure  
then Finance. ]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §17B-2-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating  
2 to requiring applications for an instruction permit or a driver's license desires to contain an  
3 option for contributions to the West Virginia Department of Veterans Assistance in the  
4 following amounts: \$3, \$5, \$10, and a fourth option left blank so that a contribution in  
5 another amount may be made by the applicant.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

## **ARTICLE 2. ISSUANCE OF LICENSE, EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL.**

### **§17B-2-6. Application for license or instruction permit; fee to accompany application.**

1 (a) Every application for an instruction permit or for a driver's license shall be made upon  
2 a form furnished by the division. Every application shall be accompanied by the proper fee and  
3 payment of the fee entitles an applicant under the age of 18 to not more than two attempts at the  
4 written test or not more than one attempt to pass the road skills test. An applicant age 18 years  
5 or older is entitled to not more than two attempts at the written test or not more than three attempts  
6 to pass the road skills test within a period of 90 days from the date of issuance of the instruction  
7 permit. An applicant who fails either the written test or the road skills test may not be tested twice  
8 within a period of one week.

9 (b) Any applicant who has not been previously licensed must hold an instruction permit for  
10 a minimum of 30 days. For the purposes of this section, the term "previously licensed" means an  
11 applicant who has obtained at least a level two graduated license or junior driver's license issued  
12 under the provisions of this article or has obtained an equal or greater level of licensure if  
13 previously licensed in another state.

14 (c) Every application for an instruction permit shall state the full legal name, date of birth,  
15 sex, and residence address of the applicant and briefly describe the applicant. the application  
16 shall state whether the applicant has theretofore been a licensed driver and, if so, when, and by  
17 what state or country and whether his or her license has ever been suspended or revoked within  
18 five years of the date of application, or whether an application has ever been refused and, if so,

19 the date of and reason for the suspension, revocation or refusal. The application will indicate  
20 whether the applicant desires a notation on the driver's license indicating that the applicant is an  
21 organ donor, in accordance with §17B-1B-1 *et seq.* of this code, is diabetic, deaf, or hard of  
22 hearing, has any other handicap or disability; ~~or~~ is an honorably discharged veteran of any branch  
23 of the Armed Forces of the United States; desires to make a contribution to the West Virginia  
24 Department of Veterans Assistance in the following amounts: \$3, \$5, \$10, and a fourth option left  
25 blank so that a contribution in another amount may be made by the applicant; and such other  
26 pertinent information as the commissioner may require.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to requiring applications for an instruction permit or a driver's license desires to contain a fourth option for contributions to the West Virginia Department of Veterans Assistance. The current application provides for three distinct amounts, \$3, \$5 and \$10. The bill provides for a fourth option so that the applicant may make any contribution he or she chooses.

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