# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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## House Bill 4031



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on Finance]

- A BILL to amend and reenact §6-7-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to
  increasing the salaries of the Secretary of State, Auditor, Treasurer, and Attorney General
- 3 to \$125,000.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

### ARTICLE 7. COMPENSATION AND ALLOWANCES.

#### §6-7-2. Salaries of certain state officers.

- 1 (a) Beginning in the calendar year 2005, and for each calendar year after that, salaries for
- 2 each of the state Constitutional officers are as follows:
- 3 (1) The salary of the Governor is \$95,000 per year;
- 4 (2) The salary of the Attorney General is \$80,000 per year;
- 5 (3) The salary of the Auditor is \$75,000 per year;
- 6 (4) The salary of the Secretary of State is \$70,000 per year;
- 7 (5) The salary of the Commissioner of Agriculture is \$75,000 per year; and
- 8 (6) The salary of the state Treasurer is \$75,000 per year.
- 9 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section (a) Beginning in the

10 calendar year 2009, and for each calendar year thereafter, salaries for each of the state

- 11 Constitutional officers shall be as follows:
- 12 (1) The salary of the Governor shall be \$150,000 per year;
- 13 (2) The salary of the Attorney General shall be \$95,000 per year;
- 14 (3) The salary of the Auditor shall be \$95,000 per year;
- 15 (4) The salary of the Secretary of State shall be \$95,000 per year;
- 16 (5) The salary of the Commissioner of Agriculture shall be \$95,000 per year; and
- 17 (6) The salary of the state Treasurer shall be \$95,000 per year.
- 18 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, beginning in the

19 calendar year 2020, and for each calendar year after that, salaries for each of the state

20 <u>Constitutional officers are as follows:</u>

- 21 (1) The salary of the Governor is \$150,000 per year;
- 22 (2) The salary of the Attorney General is \$125,000 per year;
- 23 (3) The salary of the Auditor is \$125,000 per year;
- 24 (4) The salary of the Secretary of State is \$125,000 per year;
- 25 (5) The salary of the Commissioner of Agriculture is \$95,000 per year; and
- 26 (6) The salary of the state Treasurer is \$125,000 per year.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to increase the salaries of the Secretary of State, Auditor, Treasurer, and Attorney General to \$125,000.

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