WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

Senate Bill 684

By Senator Woodrum

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to the Committee on Government Organization]

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1 A BILL to amend and reenact §10-1-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating

2 to the State Library Commission; adding the Curator of the West Virginia Division of Arts,

Culture, and History as an ex officio voting member; and updating other language.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1. PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

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§10-1-12. State Library Commission.

There shall be a state Library Commission, known as the "West Virginia Library Commission", which shall consist of the Curator of the West Virginia Division of Arts and Culture as an ex officio voting member and five eight members who shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, each for a term of four years. Thereafter, on July 1, 1995, four additional members shall be appointed: *Provided*, That for the four new members added to the commission in the year 1995, one shall serve an initial term of four years and three shall serve an initial term of two years. No more than three members may reside in the same congressional district. At least four members of the commission shall be women and at least four members shall be men. No member of the commission shall receive compensation for services rendered, nor be engaged or interested in the publishing business.

The members of the commission in office on the date this code takes effect shall, unless sooner removed, continue to serve until their respective terms expire and their successors have been appointed and have qualified. On or before the expiration of the terms for which said the members are appointed, the Governor shall appoint their successors.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to add the Curator of the West Virginia Division of Arts and Culture as an ex officio voting member of the West Virginia Library Commission.

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