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Senate Bill 435

By Senator Woodrum

INTERIM BILL

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to the Committee on the Judiciary]

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A BILL to amend and reenact §29-1A-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to recognizing the Commission on Uniform State Laws as a deemed presumptive provider of continuing education and session attendance at its annual meeting shall be deemed continuing education credit for commissioners.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1A. COMMISSION ON UNIFORM STATE LAWS. §29-1A-2. Term of office; expenses; <u>educational credit for commissioners.</u>

Each of said commissioners shall hold office for a term of four years, and until their successors are duly appointed, but nothing herein contained shall be construed to render a commissioner who has faithfully performed his <u>or her</u> duties ineligible for reappointment. No member of said commission shall receive any compensation for his <u>or her</u> services as commissioner, but each commissioner shall be entitled to receive his <u>or her</u> actual disbursements for expenses in performing the duties of his <u>or her</u> office, and an account of which expenses, shall be approved by the chairman and paid by the State Auditor as other claims authorized by law. <u>The Legislature requests that the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals adopt a rule providing that the Commission on Uniform State Laws shall be deemed a presumptive provider of continuing legal education for commissioners and session attendance at its annual meeting shall be deemed continuing education credit for commissioners.</u>

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to recognize the Commission on Uniform State Laws as a presumptive provider of continuing legal education. The bill further recognizes session attendance at its annual meeting as continuing legal education credit for commissioners.

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