

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 5468**

By Delegates Dean, Lucas, Bridges, Phillips,

Eldridge, Willis, and Vance

[Introduced February 12, 2026; referred to the

Committee on Finance]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section,  
 2 designated §7-14-17f, relating to allotting counties the sum of \$5,000 per deputy position in  
 3 that county to be used exclusively for deputy pay raises.

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

**ARTICLE 14. CIVIL SERVICE FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS.**

**§7-14-17f. Allocation of funds for deputy pay raises.**

1 There is hereby allotted from the state's general revenue fund to the counties of this state  
 2 the amount of \$5,000 per deputy position in that county for the purpose of providing for deputy pay  
 3 raises. The money in this fund shall exclusively be used for deputy pay raises.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide funding to counties in the amount of \$5,000 per deputy position in that county to be used exclusively for deputy pay raises.

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