

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2026 REGULAR SESSION

ENROLLED

House Bill 5564

BY DELEGATE PHILLIPS

[Passed March 14, 2026; in effect 90 days from
passage (June 12, 2026)]

1 AN ACT to amend and reenact §7-14-17a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,
2 relating to deputy sheriffs' vacation time; increasing the amount of accrued vacation time
3 that can be carried forward from one calendar year to the next from 45 days up to a
4 maximum of 60 days in the discretion of county commission.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 14. CIVIL SERVICE FOR DEPUTY SHERIFFS.

§7-14-17a. Vacations for deputy sheriffs.

1 The county commission of each county shall allow the sheriff's deputies in its employ,
2 vacation time accrued in the following manner: For deputies with less than five years of service,
3 vacation time shall be accrued at the rate of one and one-quarter days for each calendar month
4 of service; for deputies with five to ten years of service, vacation time shall be accrued at the rate
5 of one and one-half days for each calendar month of service; for deputies with ten to fifteen years
6 of service, vacation time shall be accrued at the rate of one and three-quarter days for each
7 calendar month of service; for deputies with fifteen or more years of service, vacation time shall
8 be accrued at the rate of two days for each calendar month of service.

9 Each deputy sheriff shall only receive vacation time for each month in which he or she
10 shall have worked one hour more than one half the normal working hours in a given month as
11 prescribed by the sheriff.

12 The county commission of each county shall allow each deputy sheriff to carry forward
13 from one calendar year to the next a minimum of 45 days, and in its discretion, up to 60 days, of
14 accrued vacation time.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates and the Clerk of the Senate hereby certify that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

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Clerk of the Senate

Originated in the House of Delegates.

In effect 90 days from passage.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates

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President of the Senate

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Day of, 2026.

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Governor