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(BY SENATORS KESSLER, HELMICK, EDGELL, UNGER, MINARD, PREZIOSO, ANDERSON, FANNING, MITCHELL, SNYDER, PLYMALE, SHARPE, ROSS, ROWE, HUNTER, CALDWELL, OLIVERIO, FACEMYER, MINEAR, WOOTON, JACKSON, CRAIGO, MCCABE, MCKENZIE, TOMBLIN, MR. PRESIDENT, BOWMAN, REDD, BURNETTE, LOVE AND BAILEY)

[Passed March 9, 2002; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections one-a and one-c, article seven, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, all relating to increasing salaries for conservation officers; and establishing a new pay plan.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections one-a and one-c, article seven, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirtyone, as amended, be amended and reenacted all to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7. LAW ENFORCEMENT, MOTORBOATING, LITTER.

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§20-7-1a. Conservation officers salary increase based on length of service.

(a) Effective the first day of July, two thousand two, 2 each conservation officer shall receive and be entitled to 3 an increase in salary based on length of service, including 4 that heretofore and hereafter served as a conservation 5 officer as follows: For five years of service with the 6 division, a conservation officer shall receive a salary increase of six hundred dollars per year payable during his 7 or her next three years of service and a like increase at 8 9 three-year intervals thereafter, with these increases to be cumulative. A salary increase shall be based upon years of 10 service as of the first day of July of each year and may not 11 12 be recalculated until the first day of July of the following 13 year.

- 14 Conservation officers in service at the time the amendment to this section becomes effective shall be given credit 15 for prior service and shall be paid such salaries as the same 16 length of service will entitle them to receive under the 17 18 provisions hereof.
- 19 (b) This section does not apply to special or emergency 20 conservation officers appointed under the authority of
- section one of this article. 21

§20-7-1c. Conservation officers, ranks, salary schedule, base pay, exceptions.

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of this code to the 1 2 contrary, the ranks within the law-enforcement section of the division of natural resources are colonel, lieutenant 3 colonel, major, captain, lieutenant, sergeant, corporal, 4 5 conservation officer first class, senior conservation officer, conservation officer and conservation officer-in-training. 6 Each officer while in uniform shall wear the insignia of 7 rank as provided by the chief conservation officer. 8 9 (b) Beginning on the first day of July, two thousand two, and continuing thereafter, conservation officers shall be 10

paid the minimum annual salaries based on the following 11

12 schedule:

13 14	ANNUAL SALARY SCHEDULE (BASE PAY) SUPERVISORY AND NONSUPERVISORY RANKS			
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33	Conservation Officer-In-Training (until end of probation) Conservation Officer (second year) Conservation Officer (third year)	\$26,337 \$29,768 \$30,140 \$30,440 \$32,528 \$33,104 \$33,528 \$36,704 \$40,880 \$42,968 \$47,144 \$49,232 \$51,320 \$53,408		
34 35 36 37 38		vation officers in service at the time the amend- is section becomes effective shall be given credit service and shall be paid salaries as the same service will entitle them to receive under the s of this section. section does not apply to special or emergency ion officers appointed under the authority of		
39 40 41	(c) This section does not apply to special or enconservation officers appointed under the auth section one of this article.			
42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49	(d) Nothing in this section prohibits other pay is as provided for under section two, article five, cha of this code: <i>Provided</i> , That any across-the-bo increase granted by the Legislature or the governo added to, and reflected in, the minimum salaries in this section; and that any merit increases grant officer over and above the annual salary schedule subsection (b) of this section are retained by ar	pterfive ard pay r will be set forth ed to an listed in		

50 when he or she advances from one rank to another.

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The Joint Committee In Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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