

H. B. 2115

(By Delegates Doyle and Overington)

[Introduced January 12, 2011; referred to the
Committee on Finance.]

**FISCAL
NOTE**

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by
adding thereto a new section, designated §5-5-7, relating to
salary increases for state employees based upon residential
housing costs in a county.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended
by adding thereto a new section, designated §5-5-7, to read as
follows:

ARTICLE 5. SALARY INCREASE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES.

§5-5-7. Granting salary increases based on housing costs.

Effective for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011, if an
eligible employee with three or more years of service resides in a
county where residential home prices are more than ten percent
above the statewide average for residential homes, the employee

1 shall receive an annual salary increase of two percent of the
2 employee's regular salary for every ten percent that residential
3 home prices in that employee's county exceed the statewide average
4 for residential homes. These incremental increases are in addition
5 to any across-the-board, cost-of-living or percentage salary
6 increases which may be granted in any fiscal year by the
7 Legislature.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide salary increases for state employees based upon residential housing costs. The employee shall receive an annual salary increase of two percent of the employee's regular salary for every ten percent that residential home prices in that employee's county exceed the statewide average for residential homes.

§5-5-7 is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.