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AN ACT to amend and reenact §62-12-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to expanding educational qualifications and adding work experience requirements for members of the Parole Board; and clarifying that members are eligible for reappointment.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §62-12-12 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

### ARTICLE 12. PROBATION AND PAROLE.

# §62-12-12. Parole board generally.

- 1 (a) The West Virginia Parole Board is continued. The
- 2 board shall consist of nine members, each of whom shall
- 3 have been a resident of this state for at least five consecu-

- 4 tive years prior to his or her appointment. No more than
- 5 five of the board members may at any one time belong to
- 6 the same political party. The board shall be appointed by
- 7 the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the
- 8 Senate.
- 9 (b) Appointments shall be made in such a manner that
- 10 each congressional district is represented and so that no
- 11 more than four and no less than two members of the board
- 12 reside in any one congressional district. No more than two
- 13 members of the board may reside in any one county.
- 14 (c) Any person initially appointed to the board on or
- 15 after July 1, 2012, shall have a degree from an accredited
- 16 college or university or at least five years of actual experi-
- 17 ence in the fields of corrections, law enforcement, sociol-
- 18 ogy, law, education, psychology, social work, medicine or a
- 19 combination thereof and shall be otherwise competent to
- 20 perform the duties of his or her office. The members shall
- 21 be appointed for overlapping terms of six years. Members
- on a little frame in the first transfer of the feath. Members
- 22 are eligible for reappointment. The members of the board
- 23 shall devote their full time and attention to their board
- 24 duties. The Governor shall appoint one of the nine ap-
- 25 pointed members to serve as chairperson at the Governor's
- 26 will and pleasure.

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

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