

1 **H. B. 2995**

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3 (By Delegates P. Smith, Miley, and Perdue )  
4 [Introduced March 20, 2013; referred to the  
5 Committee on Health Human Resources then Finance.]

6 **FISCAL**  
7 **NOTE**

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10 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by  
11 adding thereto a new article, designated §5-5A-1, relating to  
12 adding fifty new positions to the staff at the William R.  
13 Sharpe, Jr. Hospital.

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

15 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended  
16 by adding thereto a new article, designated §5-5A-1, to read as  
17 follows:

18 **ARTICLE 5A. ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES FOR WILLIAM R. SHARPE, JR.**

19 **HOSPITAL.**

20 **§5-5A-1. Additional employees.**

21 (a) Upon passage of this article, the Department of Health and  
22 Human Resources shall immediately review the current staffing needs  
23 at the William R. Sharpe, Jr. Hospital and determine where fifty

1 additional positions will best serve the needs of both the patients  
2 and employees at that facility. Those positions include, but are  
3 not limited to, physician specialists, nurses, nursing directors,  
4 health service workers, health service assistants, health service  
5 associates and security positions. The Department of Health and  
6 Human Resources shall, no later than sixty days after the passage  
7 of this article, begin filling those positions. All fifty  
8 positions shall be filled no later than ninety days after the  
9 passage of this article.

10 (b) Funding for the pay rates and employment requirements  
11 shall be provided from the appropriation to the Department of  
12 Health and Human Resources.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to add fifty new positions to the staff at the William R. Sharpe, Jr. Hospital so that the safety of the staff and patients may be enhanced.

This article is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.