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House Bill 4616

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NOTE

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committee on Government Organization.]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §7-7-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to
2 permitting county commissions the option of paying the salaries of county officials and
3 their employees on a bi-weekly basis.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That §7-7-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted
2 to read as follows:

ARTICLE 7. COMPENSATION OF ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS.

§7-7-9. Procedure for payment of compensation.

1 (a) The compensation of the county clerk, circuit clerk, sheriff, county assessor,
2 prosecuting attorney, and their assistants, deputies and employees shall be paid monthly, ~~or~~
3 semimonthly or bi-weekly by the county ~~court~~ commission, which compensation shall be paid out
4 of the county treasury in the manner prescribed by law.

5 (b) The county commission, after the filing of the budget statement specified in section
6 seven of this article, may, by order of record, authorize and order a draft on the county treasurer,
7 payable out of the general county fund, to be drawn in favor of the county official, assistant, deputy
8 or employee named in this statement, in payment of the compensation to which the person is
9 entitled.

10 (c) The draft shall not be issued to the county official, assistant, deputy or employee until
11 the proper county official has filed a detailed monthly, ~~or~~ semimonthly or bi-weekly statement with
12 the county treasurer and has filed with the county clerk a duplicate copy of the monthly ~~or~~
13 semimonthly or bi-weekly statement, together with a receipt from the county treasurer, showing
14 that the person to be paid has paid into the county treasury all moneys belonging to the county
15 that have been collected by him or her during that pay period as shown by the monthly, ~~or~~
16 semimonthly or bi-weekly statement.

17 (d) When the order for the draft has been entered of record, the president and clerk of the
18 county ~~court~~ commission shall be authorized to issue and approve by their signature the draft.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to permit county commissions the option to pay county officials and employees bi-weekly. Some counties are doing it now so this update is needed.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.