WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2018 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

Senate Bill 521

By Senators Trump, Gaunch, Maynard, Stollings, and Boso

[Introduced February 12, 2018; Referred

to the Committee on the Judiciary]

- 1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
- designated §30-29-13, relating to requiring any newly appointed chief executive of a
- 3 municipal law-enforcement agency to be a certified law-enforcement officer; and providing
- 4 that current chief executives are unaffected by this requirement.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 29. LAW-ENFORCEMENT TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION.

§30-29-13. Chief executive requirements.

- Notwithstanding any provision of this article to the contrary, beginning July 1, 2018 any
- 2 person newly appointed to serve as the chief executive of a municipal law-enforcement agency
- 3 must be a certified law-enforcement officer: *Provided*, That current chief executives are exempt
- 4 from this requirement.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require any newly appointed chief executive of a municipal law-enforcement agency to be a certified law-enforcement officer. The bill provides that current chief executives are unaffected by this requirement.

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