WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE 2019 REGULAR SESSION

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Committee Substitute

for

House Bill 2821

By Delegates Householder and Criss

(BY REQUEST OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL)

[Passed February 25, 2019; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §15-1B-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to command and clerical pay for certain national guard members; providing for commander pay clerical work for command, clerical and other pay.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1B. NATIONAL GUARD.

§15-1B-17. Command pay; inspections; compensation for clerical services and care of property.

- (a) There may be paid to each commander of a brigade, regiment, air wing, army group or other corresponding type organization \$100 per month and to each commander of a battalion, army squadron, air group or other equivalent type organization \$50 per month and to each commander of a company, air squadron or other equivalent type organization \$25 per month, payable quarterly, to be known as command pay.
- (b) There is allowed to each commander of a brigade, regiment, air wing, army group or equivalent type organization the sum of \$100 per month and each commander of a battalion, army squadron, air group or corresponding type organization the sum of \$50 per month for clerical services; and to each commander of a company air squadron or corresponding type unit the sum of \$25 per month for like services, payable quarterly. The Commandant of the West Virginia Military Academy is allowed the sum of \$25 a month, payable quarterly, for like services.
- (c) At the discretion of the Adjutant General, there may be paid to the enlisted man or woman who is directly responsible for the care and custody of the federal and state property of each organization or unit the sum of \$10 per month, payable quarterly, upon the certificate of his or her commanding officer that he or she has faithfully and satisfactorily performed the duties assigned him or her and accounted for all property entrusted to his or her care.
- (d) The Adjutant General shall determine the amount of entitlement to command pay and clerical pay, using organizational charts showing chain of command and authorized strengths and defining other equivalent type organizations. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a)

and (b) of this section, the Adjutant General may authorize the payment of command and clerical pay above the amounts set in subsections (a) and (b) out of existing funding: *Provided*, That the authorized payment is no more than twice the amounts authorized in subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

- (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, there shall be paid to the command administrative officer of the headquarters of the West Virginia Army National Guard and to the executive staff support officer of the headquarters of the West Virginia Air National Guard, or to the officer occupying a similar position, regardless of title, \$100 per month, payable quarterly, to be known as an administrative allowance.
- (f) The state command sergeant of the West Virginia Army National Guard and the command chief master sergeant of the West Virginia Air National Guard shall receive a monthly administrative allowance of \$100 per month. The command sergeant major or command chief master sergeant of a unit authorized under the command of a commander in the rank of colonel shall receive a monthly administrative allowance of \$75 per month. The command sergeant major or command chief master sergeant of a unit authorized under the command of a commander in the rank of lieutenant colonel shall receive a monthly administrative allowance of \$45 per month.