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House Bill 2613

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Committee on Government Organization]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §5B-1-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
2 to providing that the Jobs Investment Trust Board be part of the Department of Commerce.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

**§5B-1-2. Agencies, boards, commissions, divisions, and offices comprising the
Department of Commerce.**

1 The Department of Commerce consists of the following agencies, boards, commissions,
2 divisions and offices, including all of the allied, advisory, affiliated, or related entities, which are
3 incorporated in and administered as part of the Department of Commerce:

4 (1) Division of Labor provided in §21-1-1 *et seq.* of this code, which includes:

5 (A) Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission provided in §21-3A-1 *et seq.* of
6 this code; and

7 (B) Board of Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety provided in §21-9-1 *et seq.*
8 of this code;

9 (2) Office of Miners' Health, Safety, and Training provided in §22A-1-1 *et seq.* of this code.

10 The following boards are transferred to the Office of Miners' Health, Safety and Training for
11 purposes of administrative support and liaison with the Office of the Governor:

12 (A) Board of Coal Mine Health and Safety, and Coal Mine Safety and Technical Review
13 Committee provided in §22A-6-1 *et seq.* of this code;

14 (B) Board of Miner Training, Education, and Certification provided in §22A-7-1 *et seq.* of
15 this code; and

16 (C) Mine Inspectors' Examining Board provided in §22A-9-1 *et seq.* of this code;

17 (3) The West Virginia Development Office provided in 5B-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;

18 (4) Division of Natural Resources and Natural Resources Commission provided in §20-1-
19 1 *et seq.* of this code;

20 (5) Division of Forestry provided in §19-1A-1 *et seq.* of this code;

- 21 (6) Geological and Economic Survey provided in §29-2-1 *et seq.* of this code;
- 22 (7) Workforce West Virginia provided in chapter 21A of this code, which includes:
- 23 (A) Division of Unemployment Compensation;
- 24 (B) Division of Employment Service;
- 25 (C) Division of Workforce Development; and
- 26 (D) Division of Research, Information, and Analysis;
- 27 (8) Division of Energy provided in §5B-2F-1 *et seq.* of this code; ~~and~~
- 28 (9) West Virginia Tourism Office and the Tourism Commission provided in §5B-2I-1 *et seq.*
- 29 of this code; and
- 30 (10) The Jobs Investment Trust Board provided in §12-7-1 *et seq.* of this code.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide that the Jobs Investment Trust Board be part of the Department of Commerce.

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