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Delegate Criss, from the committee of conference on matters of disagreement between the two houses, as to

**Eng. Senate Bill No. 172**, Eliminating salary for Water Development Authority board members.

Submitted the following report, which was received:

Your committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two houses as to the amendment of the House to Engrossed Senate Bill 172 having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective houses, as follows:

That both houses agree to the House amendment to the bill on page two, section four;

And,

That the Senate and House agree to an amendment on page two, section four, line thirty-six, after the word "board" by striking "in a manner consistent with guidelines of the travel management office of the Department of Administration." and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"in the following manner: Each board member who lives more than fifty miles from the location where the meetings are held may receive the sum of one hundred thirty-one dollars per day as per diem allowance for any day on which such a meeting is held. Each board member who lives fifty miles or fewer from the location where the meetings are held may receive the sum of fifty-five dollars per day as the per diem allowance. In addition, each board member may be reimbursed for overnight commuting expenses at the mileage rate equal to the amount paid by the travel management office of the Department of Administration for the most direct usually traveled route, if travel is by private automobile, or for actual transportation costs for direct route

travel, if travel is by public carrier, or for any combination of the means of transportation actually used, plus the costs of necessary taxi or limousine service, tolls and parking fees in connection with the travel: *Provided*, That the total of this per diem allowance plus travel expense for a daily commuting board member may not exceed one hundred thirty-one dollars per day. The amount for mileage paid pursuant to this subsection may change from time to time in accordance with changes in the level of reimbursement by the travel management office.”

And,

That both houses agree to a new title, to read as follows:

**Eng. Senate Bill No. 172** -- A BILL to amend and reenact §22C-1-4 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to the Water Development Authority; eliminating the salary for appointed board members effective July 1, 2017; authorizing appointed board members receive same compensation for attending official meetings or engaging in official duties at rate not to exceed amount paid to members of Legislature for interim duties as recommended by Citizens Legislative Compensation Commission and authorized by law; permitting reimbursement for reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of duties as member of board; providing manner in which expenses may be reimbursed; setting per diem allowances; permitting board members to be reimbursed for overnight commuting expenses; setting manner for calculating reimbursement rates; setting cap on per diem allowance and travel expenses for daily commuting board member; and permitting amount for mileage paid to change from time to time under certain conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vernon Criss,

*Chair.*

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Craig Blair,

*Chair.*

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Martin Atkinson III,

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Randy Smith,

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John Williams,

*Conferees on the part of the House  
of Delegates.*

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Mike Woelfel,

*Conferees on the part of the Senate.*