

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2017 REGULAR SESSION

Committee Substitute

for

Senate Bill 337

BY SENATOR BLAIR

[Originating in the Committee on the Judiciary;

reported on February 23, 2017]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
2 designated §25-1-11f, relating to authorizing the hiring of correctional officers without
3 regard to his or her placement on the correctional officer register; and granting
4 employment preference to otherwise qualified persons on a preference register.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new
2 section, designated §25-1-11f, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. ORGANIZATION AND INSTITUTIONS AND CORRECTIONS
MANAGEMENT.**

25-1-11f. Hiring of correctional officer without regard to position on the register.

1 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary or any rule promulgated under the
2 provisions of this code, the Division of Corrections may hire any person listed on the Correctional
3 Officer I Register for employment as a Correctional Officer I without regard to the person's position
4 on said register: *Provided*, That no person on the Correctional Officer I Register may be offered
5 employment or hired before an otherwise qualified person on a preference register who is willing
6 to accept the position.