

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

At Charleston

A PROCLAMATION

By the Governor

WHEREAS, the Constitution of West Virginia delineates the respective powers, duties and responsibilities of the three separate branches of government; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 22 of the Constitution of West Virginia provides that this regular session of the Legislature not exceed sixty calendar days computed from and including the second Wednesday of January; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VI, Section 22 of the Constitution of West Virginia, the 2012 regular session of the Legislature was to conclude on March 10, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 51 of the Constitution of West Virginia sets forth the legal authority of the Governor and the Legislature relating to the preparation and enactment of the Budget Bill; and

WHEREAS, Subsection D of said section requires the Governor to issue a proclamation to extend the regular session of the Legislature if the Budget Bill shall not have been fully acted upon by the Legislature three days before the expiration of its regular session; and

WHEREAS, the Governor issued a proclamation on March 7, 2012, extending the 2012 regular session of the Legislature for consideration of the Budget Bill through March 13, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EARL RAY TOMBLIN, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby issue this Proclamation, in accordance with Article VI, Section 51, Subsection D(8) of the Constitution of West Virginia, amending the Proclamation of March 7, 2012, by extending this regular session of the Legislature for consideration of the Budget Bill for an additional period not to exceed three days, through Friday, March 16, 2012; but no matters other than the Budget Bill and a provision for the cost of said extended session shall be considered during this extension of the session.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.



By the Governor

Natalie E. Bennett
SECRETARY OF STATE

DONE at the Capitol in the City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the thirteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve, and in the One Hundred Forty-Ninth year of the State.

Earl Ray Tomblin
GOVERNOR