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House Bill 3473

By Delegates Linville and Maynor

[Introduced February 14, 2023; Referred to the
Committee on Technology and Infrastructure]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
2 designated as §17-2E-10, relating to creating a work group to create procedures and
3 policies and a plan for the construction of a database with information necessary for
4 infrastructure maintenance and development, providing a date by which a report must be
5 given to the Committee on Technology, and providing an effective date.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2E. DIG ONCE POLICY.

§17-2E-10.Workgroup; recommendations.

1 (a) The Commissioner of the Department of Highways, the Director of Environmental
2 Protection, and the Director of the State Historic Preservation Office shall act to create procedures
3 and policies to facilitate development of a unified clearinghouse with as much publicly accessible
4 data as is practicable. Such data should be that which would show if along a proposed route for
5 infrastructural development of any kind, there are any known regulatory concerns for
6 infrastructure, and alternate paths or routes for such project to take.

7 (b) This workgroup shall develop a plan by which certain individuals who have proper
8 credentials for access to this database can obtain further details related to any such concerns
9 identified.

10 (c)(1) The workgroup will be tasked with making recommendations to the Committee on
11 Technology and Infrastructure not later than January 1, 2024.

12 (2) The effective date of this section is July 1, 2023.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to create a work group to create procedures and policies and a plan for the construction of a database with information necessary for infrastructure maintenance and development.

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