

1 **ENROLLED**

2 **H. B. 2697**

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4 (By Delegates Manchin, Lawrence, Cann, Morgan,  
5 D. Poling, Poore, Stephens and Varner)

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7 [Passed March 8, 2011; in effect ninety days from passage.]  
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10 AN ACT to amend and reenact §8-9-3 of the Code of West Virginia,  
11 1931, as amended, relating to updating the recordkeeping  
12 requirements of municipalities.

13 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

14 That §8-9-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be  
15 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

16 **ARTICLE 9. PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNING BODIES.**

17 **§8-9-3. Governing body to keep records; minutes of proceedings;**  
18 **voting.**

19 The governing body of a municipality shall keep an accurate  
20 record of all of its proceedings, ordinances, orders, bylaws, acts,  
21 resolutions and rules which shall be indexed and open to  
22 inspection.

23 At each meeting of the governing body, a journal of the  
24 proceedings of the last meeting shall be read, and corrected, if  
25 erroneous, and signed by the presiding officer: *Provided*, That the  
26 reading of the journal of the proceedings of the last meeting may  
27 be dispensed with by majority vote of the governing body if the

1 members have received and examined a copy or synopsis of the  
2 journal prior to the meeting at which the journal is signed. Any  
3 member may request the yeas and nays be taken on any question and  
4 recorded in the journal.