

1 **H. B. 4302**

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3 (By Delegates Skaff, Guthrie, Poore, Wells,
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6 [Introduced January 24, 2014; referred to the
7 Committee on Political Subdivisions then the Judiciary.]
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10 A BILL to amend and reenact §18-9-2 of the Code of West Virginia,
11 1931, as amended, relating to elections for public school
12 purposes; allowing use of county election officials to conduct
13 the elections; and designating the county commission as the
14 board of canvassers to canvass the returns of all elections
15 for public school purposes.

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

17 That §18-9-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,
18 be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

19 **ARTICLE 9. SCHOOL FINANCES.**

20 **§18-9-2. Elections under this chapter; procedure.**

21 Any and all elections authorized by this chapter for school
22 purposes may, unless otherwise provided, be held separately or in
23 connection with any general or special election. Notice of ~~any~~
24 ~~such~~ an election shall be given by the publication of the order of

1 the board calling the same as a Class II-0 legal advertisement in
2 compliance with the provisions of article three, chapter fifty-nine
3 of this code, and the publication area for such publication ~~shall~~
4 ~~be~~ is the territory in which the election is to be held. The order
5 shall be ~~so~~ published within fourteen consecutive days next
6 preceding the day of election. All provisions of the law
7 concerning general and special elections ~~shall~~ apply in ~~such~~ these
8 elections insofar as is practicable, except that in cases of
9 special elections the board calling the election ~~shall appoint~~
10 ~~necessary election officers and shall canvass the returns,~~ may
11 agree to use the county election officials to conduct the election,
12 and the secretary of the board shall procure and furnish to the
13 election commissioners at each place of voting the ballots, poll
14 books, tally sheets and other things needed. In calling elections,
15 district and county boards of education shall follow the forms ~~to~~
16 ~~be~~ prescribed by the Attorney General. For all elections authorized
17 by this chapter, the county commission is the board of canvassers
18 to canvass the returns.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to allow the use of county election officials to conduct elections held for public school purposes. The bill also designates the county commission as the board of canvassers to canvass the returns of all elections held for public school purposes.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would

be added.