Senate Bill No. 489

(By Senator Carmichael)

[Introduced February 13, 2015; referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.]

A BILL to amend and reenact §55-2-6a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to imposing a statute of limitations for bringing a civil action derived from actual surveying of real property more than ten years after performance or furnishing of services.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §55-2-6a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. LIMITATION OF ACTIONS AND SUITS.

§55-2-6a. Deficiencies, injuries or wrongful death resulting from any improvements to or survey of real property; limitation of actions and suits.

- 1 No action, whether in contract or in tort, for indemnity or otherwise, nor any action for
- 2 contribution or indemnity to recover damages for any deficiency in the planning, design, surveying,
- 3 observation or supervision of any construction or the actual construction of any improvement to real
- 4 property, or the actual surveying of real property, or, to recover damages for any injury to real or
- 5 personal property, or, for an injury to a person or for bodily injury or wrongful death arising out of
- 6 the defective or unsafe condition of any improvement to real property, or the survey of real property,

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- 1 may be brought more than ten years after the performance or furnishing of such the services or
- 2 construction. Provided, That However, the above period shall be is tolled according to the
- 3 provisions of section twenty-one of this article. The period of limitation provided in this section
- 4 shall does not commence until the improvement to the real property, or the survey of the real
- 5 property in question has been occupied or accepted by the owner of the real property, whichever
- 6 occurs first.