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## **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

House Bill No. 2234

(By Delegate(s) Ashley, Shott, Lane, E. Neison, Upson, Hanshaw, Mr. Speaker (Mr. Armstead), McCuskey, Manchin, Campbell and Rowe)

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AN ACT to amend and reenact§48-5-613 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to requiring a court to permit a party in a divorce proceeding to resume using the name he or she used prior to the marriage.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §48-5-613 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

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#### ARTICLE 5. DIVORCE.

#### §48-5-613. Former name of party; restoration.

1 The court, upon ordering a divorce, shall if requested to do 2 so by either party, allow such party to resume the name used 3 prior to his or her marriage without the necessity of filing a separate petition pursuant to section one hundred one, article 4 5 twenty-five, chapter forty-eight of this code. If a name change is requested, the court shall also issue a certificate of divorce 7 reflecting that change in name. The certificate shall be no longer than one page. For purpose of confidentiality, the certificate shall 9 not be considered an order. The certificate shall include the style of the divorce case, the name on the birth certificate of the party 10 requesting the name change, that party's date of birth, that 11 12 party's social security number, the date on which the name 13 change is effective, and the new name of that party. In order to 14 be valid, the certificate shall be certified by a clerk of the court. 15 The certified certificate may be used by that person for all lawful 16 purposes, including as a proof of legal name change for driver licensing purposes or state identification card at the Division of 17 Motor Vehicles. 18

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foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
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Chairman, House Committee
Chairman, Senate Committee
Originating in the House.
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Styl J. House
Clerk of the House of Delegates
Jank & Barner
Clerk of the Senate
Marko O Millian
Speaker of the House of Delegates  President of the Senate
The within 18 append this the 312 day of, 2015.
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That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the

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