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House Bill 2694



2015 Carryover

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1 A BILL to amend and reenact §3-1-31 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating

to requiring all local special elections to be held on the days and hours of general or

3 primary elections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That §3-1-31 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted

2 to read as follows:

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ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS.

§3-1-31. Days and hours of elections.

1 General elections shall be held in the several election precincts of the state on the Tuesday

next after the first Monday in November of each even year. Primary and special elections shall

be held on the days provided by law therefor: <u>Provided, That beginning July 1, 2015, all local</u>

special elections shall be held on days and hours of general or primary elections.

At every primary, general or special election the polls shall be opened in each precinct on

the day of such election at six-thirty o'clock in the forenoon and be closed at seven-thirty o'clock

7 in the evening.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require all local special elections to be held during primary or general elections.

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