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Senate Bill 439

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to the Committee on the Judiciary]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §25-1-9, relating to venue for civil and criminal actions at the Salem
 3 Correctional Center.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new
 2 section, designated §25-1-9, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. ORGANIZATION AND INSTITUTIONS AND CORRECTIONS
 MANAGEMENT.**

§25-1-9. Venue for Salem Correctional Center.

1 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, venue for any criminal or civil actions arising
 2 on the grounds and building of the Salem Correctional Center, established in the article, lies in
 3 the circuit or magistrate courts of Harrison County.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to clarify that because Salem Correctional Center lies in two counties, and the Courts of both Counties have expressed concern regarding venue, that venue shall lie in Harrison County for all actions.

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