

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

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## **Senate Bill 399**

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[Introduced January 26, 2018; Referred  
to the Committee on Finance]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article,  
 2 designated §8-5A-1, relating to creating the Taxation with Representation Act; and  
 3 permitting nonresidents of a municipality who work in that municipality and who pay user  
 4 fees pursuant to a municipal ordinance to vote in municipal elections.

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

**ARTICLE 5A. TAXATION WITH REPRESENTATION ACT.**

**§8-5A-1. Taxation With Representation Act.**

1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the contrary, and provided that a  
 2 person is not otherwise disqualified, a person who lives outside a municipality’s corporate limits  
 3 and who pays a user fee or other tax imposed by that municipality pursuant to §8-13-13 of this  
 4 code may vote in all elections of that municipality.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to create Taxation With Representation Act whereby nonresidents of a municipality who work in that municipality and who pay user fees pursuant to a municipal ordinance may vote in municipal elections.

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