

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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House Bill 2124

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[Introduced February 8, 2017; Referred
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 §1-2-2c, relating to election of members of the House of Delegates in districts
 3 having more than one delegate; and providing that the delegates be elected from
 4 numbered divisions.

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 §1-2-2c, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. APPORTIONMENT OF REPRESENTATION.

§1-2-2c. Election by divisions in multimember districts.

3 For election purposes, beginning in 2018, in every delegate district having two or more
 4 delegates there shall be numbered divisions corresponding to the number of delegates in each
 5 district. Each delegate shall be elected at large from the entire district. In each numbered division
 6 of a delegate district, the candidates for nomination or election shall be voted upon and the votes
 7 cast for the candidates in each division shall be tallied separately from the votes cast for
 8 candidates in other numbered divisions within the district. The candidate receiving the highest
 9 number of the votes cast within a numbered division shall be nominated or elected, as the case
 10 may be.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide that members of the House of Delegates in districts having more than one delegate be elected from numbered divisions.

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