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Senate Bill 152

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[Introduced January 9, 2020; 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 article,
 2 designated §8-5A-1, relating to creating the Taxation with Representation Act; and
 3 providing for nonresidents of a municipality who work in that municipality and who pay
 4 user fees pursuant to a municipal ordinance may 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.