WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

House Bill 5216

By Delegates Sheedy, Mallow, Statler, Stephens,

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Committee on Political Subdivisions then Finance]

Intr HB 2024R1841

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
designated §7-1-17, relating to requiring all counties in this state, through their respective
county commissions, to establish a fire levy in order to support volunteer fire departments
and emergency medical services for those counties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1. COUNTY COMMISSIONS GENERALLY.

§7-1-17. Fire levy requirement; effective date.

1 (a) All county commissions in this state shall establish a fire levy in order to fund volunteer

- 2 fire departments and emergency medical services in those counties.
- 3 (b) This section shall become effective July 1, 2024

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require county commissions to establish fire levies to fund volunteer fire departments and emergency medical services within those counties.

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