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AN ACT to amend and reenact §3-4A-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing counties the discretion to accompany an electronic poll book with a printed poll book.

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

That §3-4A-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE 4A. ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS.

#### §3-4A-17. Check of vote-recording devices and electronic poll books before use; corrections; reserve voterecording devices.

1 (a) In counties utilizing an electronic voting system 2 where votes are to be recorded by means of perforating or by 3 touching a screen with a stylus or by means of touch before 4 permitting the first voter to vote, the election commissioners shall examine the vote-recording devices to ascertain whether 5 the ballot labels are arranged as specified on the facsimile 6 diagram furnished to the precinct. If the ballot labels are 7 8 arranged incorrectly, the commissioners shall immediately 9 notify the clerk of the county commission of the foregoing

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facts in writing, indicating the number of the device, and
obtain from the clerk a reserve vote-recording device and
thereafter proceed to conduct the election.

13 (b) Any reserve vote-recording device so used is to be 14 prepared for use by the clerk or his or her duly appointed 15 deputy and the reserve vote-recording device is to be 16 prepared, inspected and sealed and delivered to the polling 17 place wherein the seal is to be broken and the device opened 18 in the presence of the precinct election commissioners who 19 shall certify in writing signed by them to the clerk of the 20 county commission, that the reserve vote-recording device 21 was found to be sealed upon delivery to the polling place, 22 that the seal was broken and the device opened in their 23 presence at the polling place. The vote-recording device 24 found to have been with incorrect ballot labels is to be 25 returned immediately to the custody of the clerk who shall 26 then promptly cause the vote-recording device to be repaired, 27 prepared and resealed in order that it may be used as a 28 reserve vote-recording device if needed.

29 (c) In counties using electronic poll books, the election 30 commissioners shall examine the electronic poll books to ascertain whether the poll books are in working order before 31 32 allowing any voters to enter the polling location. If the 33 electronic poll books are not in working order, the election 34 commissioners shall contact the county clerk who shall 35 immediately authorize a printed poll book to serve in place of 36 the electronic poll book for that election. A printed poll book 37 may accompany the electronic poll book to each precinct.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

nah Senate Committee Chai Wells Chairman House Committee

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