

1 ~~(a)~~ No person under conviction for treason, a felony, perjury
2 or bribery in an election may be elected or appointed to any
3 elective office under the laws of this state and should any person,
4 while holding such office, be so convicted, the office shall be
5 vacated thereby.

6 (b) As used in this section:

7 (1) "Felony" means a crime punishable by incarceration for a
8 period in excess of one year in the courts of this state, another
9 state or the United States; and

10 (2) "Under Conviction" means a finding of guilt which has not
11 been reversed, vacated or expunged by a court of competent
12 jurisdiction or unconditionally pardoned by an executive or entity
13 with the authority to so act.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit certain persons from being elected or appointed to positions under the laws of the State of West Virginia.

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