

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2019 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 2410**

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[Introduced January 15, 2019; Referred  
to the Committee on Political Subdivisions then  
Government Organization.]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §7-1-3rr of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; to amend  
 2 said code by adding thereto a new article, designated §8-39-1, all relating to requiring  
 3 county commissions to maintain websites with specific information that is available to the  
 4 public at no charge; requiring county commissions to provide certain information to the  
 5 Secretary of State; and requiring municipalities to maintain websites with specific  
 6 information available to the public at no charge.

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

## **CHAPTER 7. COUNTY COMMISSIONS AND OFFICERS.**

### **ARTICLE 1. COUNTY COMMISSIONS GENERALLY.**

#### **§7-1-3rr. Accessible county records; required information.**

1 (a) Beginning July 1, ~~2017~~ 2019, each county commission ~~may~~ shall maintain a website  
 2 that provides the following information without charge:

3 (1) The title and name of each elected county office holder;

4 (2) The contact information of each elected county office holder, including office telephone  
 5 number, facsimile number, office location and mailing address;

6 (3) The government electronic mail address of each elected county office holder.

7 (4) A copy of each county ordinance as adopted;

8 (5) A copy of the approved meeting minutes; and

9 (6) A schedule of regular meeting days for each calendar year.

10 (b) Beginning on or before December 31, ~~2017~~ 2019, and each year thereafter, each  
 11 county commission shall provide to the Secretary of State ~~shall obtain~~ the following information:

12 (1) A list of each elected county official by title, with the name of the elected official;

13 (2) The office contact information for each county office holder; and

14 (3) The website address of the county commission website, where available.

## **CHAPTER 8. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.**

**ARTICLE 39. MUNICIPAL WEBSITES.**

**§8-39-1. Accessible municipal records; required information.**

1           Beginning on or before December 31, 2019, each municipality shall maintain a website  
2 that provides the following information accessible to the public without charge:

3           (1) The title and name of each elected office holder;

4           (2) The contact information of each elected office holder, including office telephone  
5 number, facsimile number, office location, office hours and mailing address;

6           (3) The government electronic mail address of each elected office holder.

7           (4) A copy of each municipal ordinance as adopted;

8           (5) A copy of the approved meeting minutes; and

9           (6) A schedule of regular meeting days for each calendar year.

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NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require county commissions to maintain websites with specific information and to provide website information to the Secretary of State. The bill requires municipalities to maintain websites with specific information available to the public at no charge.

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