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House Bill 4299

By Delegates Holstein, Horst, Sypolt, Hanna, Linville, Wamsley, Keaton, Kimble, Pack, Summers, and Tully

[Passed February 24, 2022; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §3-9-21, relating to creating the misdemeanor criminal offense of intentionally physically interfering with a voter’s travel on walkways, driveways, and parking areas of a polling place with the intent to delay, hinder, harass, interrupt, or intimidate a voter; and establishing penalties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 9. OFFENSES AND PENALTIES.

§3-9-21. Improper interference with voters’ travel to and from the polls; penalties.

Any person, during hours a polling place is open for any election, who intentionally physically interferes with a voter’s travel on the walkways, driveways, and parking areas adjacent to a building in which a polling place is located with the intention to delay, hinder, interrupt, harass, or intimidate a voter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than $1,000 or confined in jail for not more than one year or both fined and confined.

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

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 *Chairman, House Committee*

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 *Chairman, Senate Committee*

Originating in the House.

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 *Speaker of the House of Delegates*

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 *Governor*