# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

### **2024 REGULAR SESSION**

Introduced

## House Bill 5570

By Delegate Young

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Committee on Health and Human Resources then

Finance]

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
designated §15A-10-26, related to providing cancer prevention programs for firefighters.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

### ARTICLE 10. FIRE MARSHAL.

#### §15A-10-26. Cancer prevention programs for firefighters.

- 1 (a) During the annual periodic health assessment of each firefighter, the state shall
- 2 provide, at no cost, to the firefighter appropriate medical testing and related services to detect,
- 3 document the presence or absence of, and prevent, certain cancers using available multi-cancer
- 4 <u>early detection testing.</u>
- 5 (b) The state shall jointly establish a voluntary program through which firefighting
- 6 personnel may share with the Department of Human Services the results of multi-cancer early
- 7 detection testing or other forms of preventative tests in order to identify any trends or causes of
- 8 cancer in such personnel. Any such results shall be shared in an anonymized, de-identified
- 9 manner that safeguards the personally identifiable information of such personnel in order to
- 10 prevent attribution to any such personnel of any such shared results.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to establish cancer prevention programs for firefighting personnel, including providing multi-cancer early detection testing or other forms of preventative tests.

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