

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

House Bill 2803

By Delegate Pinson

[Introduced February 21, 2025; referred to the
Committee on Energy and Public Works]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §17C-4-18, relating to providing for environmental cleanup for motor vehicle
 3 crashes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 4. ACCIDENTS.

§17C-4-18. Environmental cleanup for crashes.

1 (a) In the event of a motor vehicle crash, or any other environmental hazard, any first
 2 responder who arrives on the scene may notify the public safety answering point (PAP) and
 3 request a West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection ("DEP") approved,
 4 environmental cleanup company to respond to the scene, in the event of hazardous materials
 5 being released into the environment.

6 (b) Should a first responder contact a DEP approved, environmental cleanup company
 7 through the provision set forth in subsection (a) of this section, the West Virginia DEP shall ensure
 8 the containment, cleanup, and reclamation takes place in a timely and satisfactory manner.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide for environmental cleanup for motor vehicle crashes.

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