

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2026 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

House Bill 4157

By Delegate Kump

[Introduced January 14, 2026; referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary]

- 1 A BILL to repeal §3-6-4a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to removing the
2 requirement that write-in candidates file with the Secretary of State before votes for said
3 candidates can be counted.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

**ARTICLE 6. CANVASS OF RETURNS; DECLARATION OF RESULTS;
RECORDKEEPING.**

§3-6-4a. Filing requirements for write-in candidates.

- 1 [Repealed.]

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to remove the requirement that write-in candidates file with the Secretary of State before votes for said candidates can be counted.

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