

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

### **Introduced**

## **House Bill 4471**

By Delegates Green, Hott, Linville, Heckert, Moore,  
Jeffries, Zatezalo, Martin, Brooks, Hillenbrand, and  
Mallow

[Introduced January 16, 2026; referred to the  
Committee on Energy and Public Works]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section,  
2 designated §37-6-30a, relating to landlord and tenant; and requiring approved sewage  
3 systems for all rental properties.

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

**ARTICLE                    6.                    LANDLORD                    AND                    TENANT.**

**§37-6-30a.                    Sewage                    requirements                    for                    rental                    properties.**

1                    (a) All rental properties in this state must be equipped with approved sewer systems and  
2 not straight piping of sewage.

3                    (b) Any property that was previously used as a primary dwelling by the property owner, but  
4 has since been used as a rental property, must have updated plumbing to current standards, and  
5 must have an approved sewer system in place.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require approved sewage systems for all rental properties.

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