

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2026 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

House Bill 5385

By Delegate Statler

[Introduced February 09, 2026; referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary]

1 A BILL to repeal §55-2-1, §55-3-1, and §55-3-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,
2 relating to adverse possession laws.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. LIMITATION OF ACTIONS AND SUITS.

§55-2-1. Entry upon or recovery of lands.

1 [Repealed].

ARTICLE 3. UNLAWFUL ENTRY OR DETAINER.

§55-3-1. Issuance of summons.

1 [Repealed].

§55-3-6. Equitable defenses; adverse possession.

1 [Repealed].

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to repeal sections of code relating to adverse possession laws.

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