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House Bill 4751

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Committee on the Judiciary]

- 1 A BILL to amend and reenact §3-5-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to
2 establishing the date for the primary election for the office of the President of United States.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 5. PRIMARY ELECTIONS AND NOMINATING PROCEDURES.

**§3-5-1. Time and place of holding primary elections in the year one thousand nine hundred
eighty and thereafter; hours polls open; time of holding primary election for the
Office of President of the United States.**

- 1 Primary elections shall be held at the voting place in each of the voting precincts in the
2 state, for the purposes set forth in this article, on the second Tuesday in May 1986 and in each
3 second year thereafter.

- 4 At such election the polls shall be opened and closed at the hours provided for opening and
5 closing the polls in a general election.

- 6 Primary elections for the Office of President of the United States shall be held on the third
7 Tuesday in February in 2028 and in each fourth year thereafter.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to establish the date for the primary election for the office
of the President of United States.

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