

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 4568**

By Delegates Drennan, Dittman, Moore, Leavitt, and

Hornby

[Introduced January 20, 2026; referred to the

Committee on the Judiciary]

- 1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section,  
2 designated §56-3-35, relating to prohibiting service of process in civil and Family Court  
3 matters on county property.

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

**ARTICLE 3. WRITS, PROCESS AND ORDER OF PUBLICATION.**

**§56-3-35. Service of process prohibited on county property.**

- 1 Service of process for any civil action or action in Family Court is prohibited on property  
2 owned by a county.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit service of process in Family Court and civil actions.

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