

KumpWEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

House Bill 4820

By Delegate Kump

[Introduced January 26, 2026; referred to the

Committee on the Judiciary]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §55-7-15 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to
2 aid to victims of accidents, emergency, disaster or non-emergent situations voluntary and
3 without remuneration.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE	7.	ACTIONS	FOR	INJURIES.
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§55-7-15. Aid to victim of an accident, emergency, or disaster, or non-emergent situation;

immunity	from	civil	liability,	definitions.
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1 (a) A person, including, without limitation, trained, licensed, or certified professionals, or an
2 entity who in good faith renders or provides emergency care, or assistance at the scene of an
3 accident, emergency, or disaster or non-emergent situation, voluntarily and without remuneration,
4 may not be liable for any civil damages as the result of any act or omission at the scene or during
5 the non-emergent situation, in rendering, or providing emergency care or assistance.

6 (b) For purposes of this section, the term "emergency" means any instance where a person
7 suffers from a medical condition requiring immediate treatment due to natural causes, accident, or
8 crime.

9 (c) For purposes of this section, "disaster" has the same meaning as that term is defined in
10 §15-5-2 of this code.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide that a person who acts voluntarily and without remuneration aid to a victim of an emergent situation may not be liable for civil damages.

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