

# **KumpWEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

**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.**

**§55-7-15. Aid to victim of an accident, emergency, ~~or disaster~~, or non-emergent situation;**

**immunity                    from                    civil                    liability,                    definitions.**

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.