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**ENROLLED BILL**  
(SECOND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION, 1933)

House Bill No. 131

*Originating Committee*  
(By Mr. J. J. Judicary)

Passed March 6<sup>th</sup> 1934

In Effect from Passage

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(Com. Sub. for H. B. No. 131)

[Passed March 6, 1934; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section fourteen, article three, chapter eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, relating to the registration of voters for municipal elections.

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

That section fourteen, article three, chapter eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended and reenacted so as to read as follows:

Section 14. No municipality shall be required to register its voters, unless required to do so by its special charter, or unless by ordinance it so provides. In either of such cases the council shall provide by ordinance for making the voting precincts the several wards of the municipality coincide as to boundaries, as nearly as may be, to the boundaries of the voting precincts fixed by the county court for all state and county elections;

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Passage

Takes effect

Originated in the

Clerk of House of Delegates.

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9 and in any year when a county registration of voters is made,  
10 the clerk, recorder, or other similar officer of every munici-  
11 pality shall make from the county registration books, after  
12 they have been returned by the registrars to the office of the  
13 clerk of the county court, a register of voters of such munici-  
14 pality, as part of his official duties, and without additional  
15 compensation therefor. The council shall also, in such case, by  
16 ordinance specify the times when council shall sit, which shall  
17 be not later than the third day preceding an election, for the  
18 purpose of examining such register of voters, of adding to  
19 such register the names of persons who have not been registered  
20 and who will be entitled to vote in the election, of transferring  
21 voters from one precinct to another, when proper so to do, and  
22 of striking off the name of any person who is no longer entitled  
23 to vote in said municipality or who has died. In all such mat-  
24 ters the provisions of chapter three of this code with reference  
25 to the registration of voters shall govern so far as applicable,  
26 except as herein provided, and except, further, that the duties  
27 required by said chapter to be performed by the county court  
28 shall be performed by the council of the municipality, and those  
29 to be performed by the clerk of the county court shall be per-

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30 formed by the clerk, recorder, or other similar officer of the  
31 municipality. Such ordinance shall also provide that the two  
32 major political parties, through their respective municipal ex-  
33 ecutive committees, acting by their chairmen, may appoint chal-  
34 lengers to be present on the days when the council sits for the  
35 examination and correction of the register of voters, and for  
36 the making of transfers of voters from one precinct to another :  
37 *Provided, however,* That the provisions hereof shall not apply  
38 to such municipalities as by their special charters are now, or  
39 may hereafter be, required to use as the municipal register of  
40 voters the county registration books as made by county regis-  
41 trars and the county court.

42 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of  
43 this act are hereby repealed.

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Chairman Senate Committee.

*R. M. Shiner*  
Speaker of the House of Delegates.

*W. L. Hall*  
Clerk of the House of Delegates.

*P. S. Mainwaring*  
President of the Senate.

James I. Smith  
Chairman House Committee.

*Frank M. ...*  
Clerk of the Senate.

The within is... *approved* ...

this... *8<sup>th</sup>* ... day of... *March* ..., 1934.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State  
of West Virginia. **1934 MAR 9** 1934  
Wm. S. O'BRIEN,  
Secretary of State

*H. B. Kump*  
Governor.