## WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

**REGULAR SESSION, 1955** 

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HOUSE BILL No. 94

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(By Mr. Andrews)

[Passed February 25, 1955; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article two, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, by adding thereto a new section numbered three, relating to the filing in the office of the secretary of state and the taking effect of rules lawfully adopted by each agency of the government of the state of West Virginia authorized by law to make rules, except the state Legislature and the state courts.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article two, chapter five of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended by adding thereto a new section, numbered three, to read as follows:

Section 3. Filing of Rules of State Agencies in the Office

- 2 of the Secretary of State.—Each state agency shall com-
- 3 pile and index all of its lawfully adopted rules which are

- 4 in force on the effective date of this section and shall file
- 5 in the office of the secretary of state two certified copies
- 6 of such compilation and index. If any agency shall fail
- 7 to file such certified copies on or before July one, one
- 8 thousand nine hundred fifty-five, then the rules of such
- 9 agency which are not so filed shall become void and
- 10 unenforceable and shall be of no legal force and effect.
- 11 Each rule, amendment, modification or repeal of a rule
- 12 lawfully adopted by any agency after the effective date
- 13 of this section, shall neither be enforced nor enforceable
- 14 unless and until two certified copies of such rule, amend-
- 15 ment, modification or repeal of a rule have been on file
- 16 in the office of the secretary of state for thirty consecutive
- 17 days. It shall be the duty of the secretary of state to keep
- 18 such rules filed in his office in a manner which shall be
- 19 available and convenient for public inspection.
- 20 For the purpose of this section "agency" means any
- 21 authority, department, commission, board, or officer of
- 22 the government of the state of West Virginia authorized
- 23 by law to make rules, but this section shall not apply to
- 24 the Legislature or to the courts of the state of West

25 Virginia. The word "rule" includes every regulation,
26 standard, or statement of policy or interpretation of
27 general application and future effect, including the amend28 ment or repeal thereof adopted by any agency, as herein
29 defined, to implement or make specific the law enforced
30 by or administered by it, or to govern its organization
31 or procedure, but does not include regulations concerning
32 only the internal management of the agency and not
33 directly affecting the rights of or procedures available
34 to the public.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that
the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.
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