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HOUSE BILL No. 40

(By Mr. Mills)

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[Passed February 21, 1957; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section twenty-three, article four, chapter three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to vacancies in nominations for elections and payment of filing fees by candidates.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

Section 23. Vacancies in Nominations; Filing Fees.—If 2 any vacancy shall occur in the party nomination of can-3 didates for office, caused by the death, withdrawal, failure 4 to make a nomination for the office at the primary elec-5 tion, or otherwise, it may be filled and the name of the 6 candidate certified by the executive committee of the

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7 political party for the political division in which the vacancy occurs. If such vacancy be not filled by the execu-8 tive committee more than forty-five days next preceding 9 the date of the election, it shall be lawful for the chairman 10 of the political party executive committee for the political 11 division to fill such vacancy and make a certificate thereof 12 and file the same with the officer with whom the original 13 certificate of nomination was, should or might have been, 14 15 regularly filed. And it shall be the duty of the officer to receive and proceed with the same in all respects as an 16 17 original nomination: Provided, however, That in no instance shall a certificate be filed and received less than 18 forty-two days preceding the date of election: Provided 19 20 *further*, That where the vacancy exists because of a failure 21to make a nomination for the office at the primary elec-22 tion, no nomination under this section shall be deemed 23filed until a filing fee shall have been paid in an equal amount and to the same office that a candidate for the 24 nomination to the position being filled under this section 2526is required to pay under section six-a of this article.

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

Marel and Chairman Senate Committee Chairman House Committee Originated in the House of Delegates 10 days from passage. Takes effect... vare My e Clerk of the Senate mans the House of Delegates President of the Senate Speaker, House of Delegates The within approved this the second day of March /1957. Governor Elled in the Office of the Secretary of State MAR 2 - 1957 D. PITT O'BRIEN "Elled in the Office of the Secretary of State of West '

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