

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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SENATE BILL NO. 165

(By Mr. WARD and MR. PALUMBO)

PASSED MARCH 8 1971

In Effect NINETY DAYS FROM Passage



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AN ACT to amend and reenact section nine, article one, chapter three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to political party committees.

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

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

**ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS.**

**§3-1-9. Political party committees; how composed; organization.**

1     At the May primary election in the year one thousand  
2     nine hundred seventy-two and at the May primary elec-  
3     tion in the year one thousand nine hundred seventy-four

4 and in every fourth year subsequent to the May primary  
5 election held in the year one thousand nine hundred  
6 seventy-four, the voters of each political party in each  
7 senatorial district shall elect two male and two female  
8 members of the state executive committee of the party. In  
9 senatorial districts containing two or more counties, not  
10 more than two such elected committee members shall be  
11 residents of the same county. The committee, when con-  
12 vened and organized as herein provided, shall appoint  
13 three additional members of the committee from the state  
14 at large.

15 At such primary election, the voters of each political  
16 party in each county shall elect one male and one fe-  
17 male member of the party's executive committee of the  
18 congressional district, of the senatorial district in which  
19 such county is situated and of the delegate district in  
20 which such county is situated if such county be situated in  
21 a delegate district. At the same time such voters in  
22 each magisterial district of the county shall elect one  
23 male and one female member of the party's county execu-  
24 tive committee and, in any county containing a city of

25 ten thousand or more in population, such voters of each  
26 ward of such city within the county shall elect one male  
27 and one female member of such county party executive  
28 committee in addition to the members thereof chosen  
29 from the magisterial district or districts in which such  
30 city is situated.

31 All members of executive committees, selected for  
32 each political division as herein provided, shall reside  
33 within the county, district, or ward from which chosen.

34 The term of office of all members of executive com-  
35 mittees so elected at the May primary election in the  
36 year one thousand nine hundred seventy-two shall begin  
37 on the first day of June, following said May primary,  
38 and shall continue for two years thereafter and until  
39 their successors are elected and qualified. The term of  
40 office of all members of executive committees elected  
41 at the May primary in the year one thousand nine  
42 hundred seventy-four, and every four years thereafter,  
43 shall begin on the first day of June, following said May  
44 primary, and shall continue for four years thereafter  
45 and until their successors are elected and qualified.

46 Vacancies in the state executive committee shall be filled  
47 by the members of the committee for the unexpired  
48 term. Vacancies in the party's executive committee of  
49 a congressional district, senatorial district, delegate dis-  
50 trict or county shall be filled by the party's executive  
51 committee of the county in which such vacancy exists,  
52 and shall be for the unexpired term.

53 As soon as possible after the first day of June, following  
54 the election of the new executive committees, as herein  
55 provided, they shall convene within their respective po-  
56 litical divisions, on the call of the chairman of corre-  
57 sponding outgoing executive committees, or by any mem-  
58 ber of the new executive committee in the event there  
59 is no corresponding outgoing executive committee, and  
60 proceed to select a chairman, a treasurer, and a secre-  
61 tary, and such other officers as they may desire, each  
62 of which officers shall for their respective committees  
63 perform the duties that usually appertain to such offices.

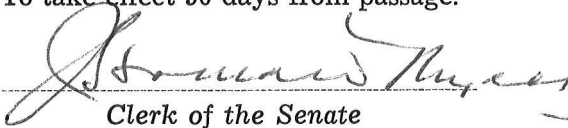
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

  
Chairman Senate Committee

  
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect 90 days from passage.

  
Clerk of the Senate

  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

  
President of the Senate

  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 12th  
day of March, 1971.

  
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE  
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