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WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE BILL No. 1556

(By Mr. Speaker, Mr. Lee)



Passed March 3, 1980

In Effect From Passage

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H. B. 1556

(By MR. SPEAKER, MR. SEE)

[Passed March 3, 1980; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section forty-seven, article one, chapter three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to a prohibition of candidates running for more than one office; exceptions to such prohibition; and providing for the continuation of joint county and circuit clerkships in existence as of the original effective date of this section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section forty-seven, 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.

§3-1-47. Candidate not to run for more than one office; exceptions.

1 No person shall be a candidate for more than one office at
2 any election: *Provided*, That such candidate for an office may
3 also be a candidate for president or vice president of the United
4 States, for membership on a political party executive commit-
5 tee or for delegate to a political party national convention. Any
6 candidate who violates this section shall be disqualified from
7 serving in any office to which he was elected while in violation
8 of this section: *Provided, however*, That notwithstanding the
9 provisions of this section, nothing shall prohibit a candidate

10 from jointly running for or jointly holding the offices of county
11 clerk and circuit clerk in those counties which have heretofore
12 operated and maintained a joint clerkship system as of
13 January first, one thousand nine hundred seventy-eight.

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

James L. Davis
Chairman Senate Committee

Lawrence C. Christian
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect from passage.

Jodd C. Mills
Clerk of the Senate

C. A. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

W. C. Barks
President of the Senate

Clay M. Seelye
Speaker House of Delegates

The within *is approved* this the *10*
day of *March*, 1980.

John R. Ruppel
Governor

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