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HOUSE BILL No. 1883

(By Mr. Hatcher + mr. Chambers)

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(By MR. HATCHER and MR. CHAMBERS)

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AN ACT to amend article four-a, chapter three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section nineteen-a, relating to the form of ballot cards in an electronic voting election, the duty of poll clerks to sign ballot cards; and prohibiting the counting of votes cast on ballot cards without such signatures.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article four-a, chapter three of the code of West Virginia, one thousand ninc hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section nineteen-a, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 4A. ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS.

§3-4A-19a. Form of ballot cards; requiring the signatures of poll clerks; prohibiting the counting of votes cast on ballot cards without such signatures.

Every ballot card utilized during the course of any electronic voting system election conducted under the provisions of this article shall provide two lines for the signatures of the poll clerks. Both of the signature lines shall be printed on a portion of the ballot card where votes are not recorded by perforation or other marking, but which portion is an actual part of the ballot card deposited in the ballot box after the

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8 voter has perforated or marked his ballot and after the ballot9 stub has been removed.

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Each of the two poll clerks shall sign his name on one of the designated lines provided on each ballot card before any ballot card is distributed to a voter. After a voter has signed the pollbook, as required in section nineteen of this article, the two poll clerks shall deliver a ballot card to the voter, which ballot card has been signed by each of the two poll clerks as provided herein.

17 In the course of an election contest, if it is established
18 that a ballot card does not contain the two signatures required
19 by this section, such ballot card shall be null, void and of
20 no effect, and shall not be counted.

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

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