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AN ACT to amend and reenact §3-1-2a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to municipal elections; and providing that municipal personnel responsible for elections must attend biannual training conducted by the office of the Secretary of State.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §3-1-2a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS AND DEFINITIONS.

§3-1-2a. Municipal elections.

- 1 (a) Notwithstanding other provisions of this code or of
- 2 any special legislative or home rule city charter, the
- 3 provisions of: (1) Articles eight and nine of this chapter;
- 4 (2) any rules promulgated under authority granted in
- 5 articles eight and nine of this chapter; and (3) any
- 6 provisions of this chapter making a practice or conduct
- 7 unlawful shall apply to every municipal election held
- 8 for any purpose.
- 9 (b) For purposes of:
- 10 (1) This section;
- 11 (2) The application of articles eight and nine of this
- 12 chapter;
- 13 (3) The application of the rules mentioned in this
- 14 section; and
- 15 (4) The application of provisions of this chapter
- 16 making a practice or conduct unlawful, the provisions
- 17 of law which impose any duty upon or define any
- 18 offense or prohibition with respect to the duty or
- 19 authority of a county officer or county election officer
- 20 or body of county election officers shall be construed to
- 21 and shall apply with equal force and effect to the person
- 22 or persons in a municipal election upon whom this code
- 23 or the city charter or ordinance imposes such duty or
- 24 vests the same or similar authority.
- 25 (c) Every municipality shall by charter or ordinance
- designate the persons in the municipality who perform
- the same duties as any officer in a county election. The

- 28 designated persons shall attend a biannual election
- 29 training held and conducted by the office of the
- 30 Secretary of State.
- 31 (d) This section shall not be construed to abrogate the
- 32 applicability of other provisions of this chapter to
- 33 municipal elections.

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