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AN ACT to amend and reenact §3-5-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to changing the date of the canvassing of votes in a primary election from the Friday following a primary election to the fifth day following a primary election that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §3-5-17 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 5. PRIMARY ELECTIONS AND NOMINATING PROCEDURES.

§3-5-17. Canvassing and certifying returns; recount procedures.

1 The commissioners of the county commission, sitting as
2 a board of canvassers, shall convene at the courthouse of the
3 county on the fifth day following any primary election, which
4 is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, and shall proceed
5 to canvass the returns of the election. The procedures
6 prescribed in section nine, article six, of this chapter relating
7 to canvass of general election returns, shall, where adaptable,
8 be applied in the canvass of the primary election returns. The
9 board shall proceed to ascertain the result of the election in
10 the county and district and election precincts and cause to be
11 prepared and recorded in the primary election precinct record
12 book a table or tables which show, as to each candidate of
13 each political party for each office, the number of votes cast
14 for him or her at each precinct and the total number cast in
15 the entire county. The board shall then make up and enter in
16 said record book a certificate for each political party
17 showing, as to each candidate for each political party for each
18 office, the total number of votes, in words and figures, cast
19 for him or her in the entire county and the number of votes
20 received by all the candidates of such party in such district in
21 the following form:

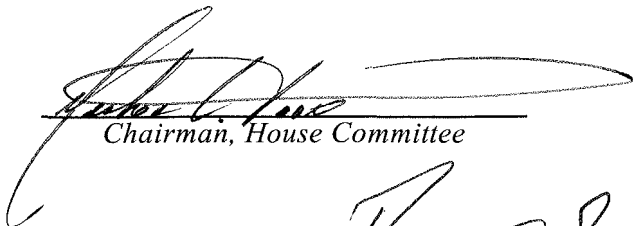
22 The board of canvassers of the county of of
23 West Virginia, having carefully and impartially examined the
24 returns of the primary election held in said county on the
25 day of, 20...., do hereby certify that in said county or
26 district, at said election, on the official ballot of the
27 party for the office of, A. B. received
28 (.....) votes; C. D. received (.....) votes.

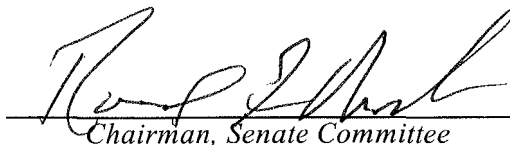
29 And so on for each office for each political party
30 according to the truth. When the certificates are all entered,
31 the report shall be signed by the members of the board or by
32 a majority of the board. Such members shall also sign
33 separate certificates of the result of the election, within the

34 county, for each of the offices to be filled by each political
35 party as provided by the following section.

36 The provisions of article six of this chapter, relating to
37 the recount of votes in general elections, shall, to the extent
38 applicable, be operative in primary and other elections
39 conducted under provisions of this article.

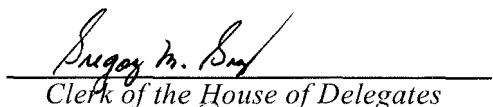
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

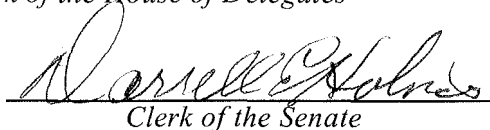

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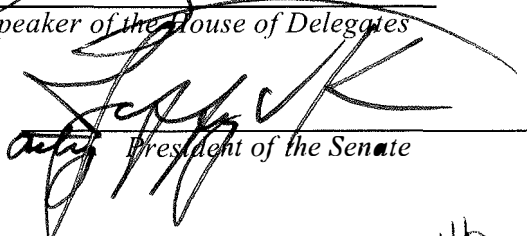
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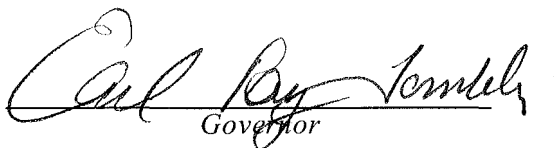

Clerk of the House of Delegates


Clerk of the Senate


Speaker of the House of Delegates


President of the Senate

The within is approved this the 24th
day of March, 2011.


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