1   **H. B. 4416**

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3   (By Delegates Manchin and Miley)

4   [By Request of the Secretary of State]

5   [Introduced February 3, 2012; referred to the

6   Committee on the Judiciary then Finance.]

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10 A BILL to amend and reenact §3-12-1, §3-12-4 and §3-12-17 of the

11   Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, all relating to

12   extending the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals Public

13   Campaign Financing Pilot Program.

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

15   That §3-12-1, §3-12-4 and §3-12-17 of the Code of West

16 Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted, all to read

17 as follows:

18 **ARTICLE 12.   WEST VIRGINIA SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS PUBLIC**

19   **CAMPAIGN FINANCING PILOT PROGRAM.**

20 **§3-12-1. Short title.**

21   This article is known as the "West Virginia Supreme Court of

22 Appeals Public Campaign Financing Pilot Program." The pilot

23 program begins with the exploratory period for the 2012 primary

1 election and continues through the ~~2012~~ 2016 general election. Any

2 components of this article specifically referencing years 2011 or

3 2012, shall similarly apply to years 2015 and 2016, respectively.

4 **§3-12-4. Alternative public campaign financing option.**

5   This article establishes an alternative public campaign

6 financing option available to candidates for election to the office

7 of Justice of the West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals for the

8 2012 and 2016 primary and general elections. Candidates electing

9 the alternative public campaign financing option shall comply with

10 all other applicable election and campaign laws and rules.

11 **§3-12-17. Expiration of article.**

12   The provisions of this article ~~shall~~ have no force or effect

13 on or after July 1, ~~2013~~ 2017. Any moneys remaining in the fund on

14 July 1, ~~2013~~ 2017, shall be transferred to the General Revenue

15 Fund.

     NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to extend the West Virginia
Supreme Court of Appeals Public Campaign Financing Pilot Program.

     Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from
the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would
be added.