

# Senate Bill No. 470

(By Senators Cookman, Miller, Snyder, Fitzsimmons, Williams,  
D. Hall and Stollings)

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[Introduced February 3, 2014; referred to the Committee  
on the Judiciary.]

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A BILL to amend of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,  
by adding thereto a new section, designated §52-2-16, relating  
to grand jury juror questionnaire forms; protecting the  
information contained in the forms; and requiring written  
permission of the circuit court to release the questionnaires.

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

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended  
by adding thereto a new section, designated §52-2-16, to read as  
follows:

## **ARTICLE 2. GRAND JURIES.**

**§52-2-16. Juror questionnaires; judicial approval required for  
release of forms.**

1           Completed juror questionnaire forms for persons called  
2   for or serving as grand jurors are confidential and may only  
3   be released from the custody of the clerk with the written  
4   permission of the circuit court.

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(NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide that completed grand jury questionnaire forms are confidential and may only be released from the custody of the clerk with the written permission of the circuit court.

This section is new; therefore, strike-throughs and underscoring have been omitted.)