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for

H.B. 2233

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(Originating in the House Committee on the Judiciary) [February 25, 2015]

A BILL to amend and reenact §29A-3-16 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to authorizing the Legislative Rule-Making Committee with the assistance of the Legislative Auditor's Office to review legislative rules five years after initial approval by the Legislature; and directing the Legislative Rule-Making Committee to report findings and recommendations to the Legislature.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §29A-3-16 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 3. RULE-MAKING.

§29A-3-16. Legislative review of procedural rules, interpretive legislative rules.

- 1 (a) The Legislative Rule-Making Review Committee may
- 2 review any procedural rules, interpretive rules or existing
- 3 legislative rules and may make recommendations concerning
- 4 such rules to the Legislature, or to the agency or to both the
- 5 Legislature and the agency.
- 6 (b) The Legislative Rule-Making Committee with the
- 7 <u>assistance of the Legislative Auditor shall review any rule</u>
- 8 promulgated in or after 2015 within at least five years from its
- 9 effective date, and make recommendations to the Legislature for
- 10 modification or repeal of any such rule as the Legislative Rule-
- 11 Making Committee may determine to be necessary. Areas of
- 12 review shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
- 13 (1) Whether the rule is achieving its purpose; and
- 14 (2) Whether the rule should be eliminated, continued or
- 15 <u>amended.</u>

- 16 (c) Following the review, the Legislative Rule-Making
- 17 Committee and the Legislative Auditor shall submit to the Joint
- 18 Committee on Government and Finance a summary of their
- 19 findings and recommendations.