## **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

#### **2016 REGULAR SESSION**

#### Introduced

### House Bill 4102

By Delegates Sobonya, Frich and Moffatt

[Introduced January 18, 2016; Referred

to the Committee on Energy the Judiciary.]

- 1 A BILL to amend and reenact article 3, chapter 64 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,
- 2 relating to authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection, Oil and Gas to
- 3 promulgate a legislative rule relating to horizontal well development.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

- 1 That article 3, chapter 64 of the code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended
- 2 and reenacted to read as follows:

# ARTICLE 3. AUTHORIZATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TO PROMULGATE LEGISLATIVE RULES.

#### §64-3-1. Department of Environmental Protection, Oil and Gas.

- 1 The legislative rule filed in the State Register on July 31, 2015, authorized under the
- 2 authority of section six, article six-a, chapter twenty-two, of this code, modified by the Department
- 3 of Environmental Protection, Oil and Gas to meet the objections of the Legislative Rule-making
- 4 Review Committee and refiled in the State Register on November 23, 2015 relating to the
- 5 Department of Environmental Protection, Oil and Gas (horizontal well development, 35 CSR 8),
- 6 is authorized.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to authorize the Department of Environmental Protection, Oil and Gas to promulgate a legislative rule relating to Horizontal Well Development.

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