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House Bill 4677

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to the Committee on Government Organization.]

INTRODUCED H.B.

- A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article,
 designated §17C-24-1, relating to authorizing business establishments and other entities
- 3 required to provide accessible parking to provide parking spaces for Purple Heart
- 4 recipients, under certain circumstances.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

- 1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new
- 2 article, designated §17C-24-1, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 24. HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE PARKING FOR PURPLE HEART RECIPIENTS.

§17C-24-1. Parking spaces for Purple Heart recipients authorized.

- 1 Those business establishments and other entities that are required to provide
- 2 <u>handicapped accessible parking may, on a voluntary basis and at their own expense, allocate</u>
- 3 one parking space to recipients of the Purple Heart Medal: *Provided*, That the business or other
- 4 <u>entity shall continue to meet parking space requirements of the federal laws governing accessible</u>
- 5 parking. Signs saying "We Support Our Veterans" and demarcation lines for the Purple Heart
- 6 recipient spaces may be in the color purple.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to authorize, on a voluntary basis, allocation of parking spaces for Purple Heart recipients.

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