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House Bill 4297

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[Introduced January 25, 2018; Referred
to the Committee on Government Organization then
the Judiciary.]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §30-1-22, relating to prohibiting state licensing boards from hiring lobbyists;
 3 and declaring that the director and appointed board members of each board may lobby on
 4 behalf of the board.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

**ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL STATE BOARDS OF
 EXAMINATION OR REGISTRATION REFERRED TO IN CHAPTER.**

§30-1-22. Lobbying.

1 No board may employ or contract with any person whose job functions or obligations
 2 include lobbying on behalf of the board: *Provided*, That the director and appointed board members
 3 may lobby on behalf of the board.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit state licensing boards from hiring lobbyists;
 and declare that the director and appointed board members of each board may lobby on
 behalf of the board.

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