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House Bill 4554

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to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and Homeland
Security then the Judiciary.]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §7-1-17; and to amend said code by adding thereto a new section, designated
 3 §8-11-6, all relating to prohibiting counties, municipalities, and cities from passing any
 4 sanctuary ordinances, policies, and procedures.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

CHAPTER 7. COUNTY COMMISSIONS AND OFFICERS.

ARTICLE 1. COUNTY COMMISSIONS GENERALLY.

§7-1-17. Adoption of sanctuary ordinance prohibited.

1 (a) No county may have in effect any policy, ordinance, or procedure that limits or restricts
 2 the enforcement of federal immigration laws to less than the full extent permitted by federal law.

3 (b) No county may do any of the following related to information regarding the citizenship
 4 or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual:

5 (1) Prohibit law enforcement officials or agencies from gathering such information.

6 (2) Direct law enforcement officials or agencies not to gather such information.

7 (3) Prohibit the communication of such information to federal law-enforcement agencies.

CHAPTER 8. MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.

**ARTICLE 11. POWERS AND DUTIES WITH RESPECT TO ORDINANCES AND
ORDINANCE PROCEDURES.**

§8-11-6. Adoption of sanctuary ordinances prohibited.

1 (a) No city or municipality may have in effect any policy, ordinance, or procedure that limits
 2 or restricts the enforcement of federal immigration laws to less than the full extent permitted by
 3 federal law.

4 (b) No city or municipality may do any of the following related to information regarding the
 5 citizenship or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual:

6 (1) Prohibit law-enforcement officials or agencies from gathering such information.

- 7 (2) Direct law-enforcement officials or agencies not to gather such information.
- 8 (3) Prohibit the communication of such information to federal law-enforcement agencies.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit counties, municipalities, and cities from passing any sanctuary ordinances, policies, and procedures.

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