# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

### **2019 REGULAR SESSION**

**Committee Substitute** 

### for

## House Bill 2028

BY DELEGATE FAST

[Originating in the Committee on Government

Organization, January 11, 2019.]

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia,1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
designated §16-13A-9b, relating to public service districts' laying of water or sewer lines
on state rights-of-way; limiting the onsite time required supervision by a state engineer;
and requiring payment and performance bonds to cover a reasonable length of time for
defects to be discovered.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

#### ARTICLE 13A. PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICTS.

#### §16-13A-9b. Supervision of laying of lines on state rights-of-way limited.

- 1 When a public service district lays water or sewer lines on state rights-of-way, the state
- 2 may require a state engineer to inspect the project at its commencement, periodically and at its
- 3 conclusion. The state may not require a public service district to have an on-site state engineer
- 4 for the entire time the project is under construction. The public service district shall require
- 5 payment and performance bonds to cover a reasonable length of time for defects to be
- 6 <u>discovered.</u>

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