

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

House Bill 2335

By Delegate Martin

[Introduced January 11, 2023; Referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §61-1-10, relating to prohibiting the establishment of a constitution or legal
 3 system superior or parallel to the West Virginia Constitution and the West Virginia Code;
 4 and providing a criminal penalty.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1. CRIMES AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT.

§61-1-10. Establishment of constitution or legal system superior to or parallel to the West Virginia Constitution and the West Virginia Code prohibited.

1 No person or group of persons may establish a constitution or legal system superior to or
 2 parallel to the West Virginia Constitution and the West Virginia Code. Any attempt do so is
 3 ineffectual and shall be punished as treason against the state, under §61-1-2 of this code.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit the establishment of a constitution or legal system superior or parallel to the West Virginia Constitution and the West Virginia Code.

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