

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2024 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

House Bill 5339

By Delegate Dillon

[Introduced January 30, 2024; Referred to the
Committee on Government Organization then the
Judiciary]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §4-1-7 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to
 2 requiring that House of Delegates and the Senate open each session with the Pledge of
 3 Allegiance to the Flag of West Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

**ARTICLE 1. OFFICERS, MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES; APPROPRIATIONS;
 INVESTIGATIONS; DISPLAY OF FLAGS; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE
 FLAG OF WEST VIRGINIA; RECORDS; USE OF CAPITOL BUILDING;
 PREFILING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS; STANDING COMMITTEES;
 INTERIM MEETINGS; NEXT MEETING OF THE SENATE.**

**§4-1-7. Flags displayed during sessions, opening each day of session with the Pledge of
 Allegiance to the Flag of West Virginia.**

1 (a) The flag of the United States, and the flag of the State of West Virginia shall be flown
 2 over the state Capitol building year-round; and the POW-MIA flag shall be flown over the state
 3 Capitol building on Memorial Day, Armed Forces Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, National
 4 POW/MIA Recognition Day and Veteran's Day each year.

5 (b) The WV House of Delegates and the Senate shall open each day of Session with the
 6 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of West Virginia.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require that House of Delegates and the Senate open each session with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of West Virginia.

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