WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2025 REGULAR SESSION

Enrolled

Senate Bill 492

By Senators Woodrum and Oliverio

[Passed March 24, 2025; in effect 90 days from passage (June 22, 2025)]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §3-8-4a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to elections; and removing outdated provisions governing political committees terminated within three years of the effective date of the amendments made to this section during the regular session of the Legislature, 2002.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 8. REGULATION AND CONTROL OF ELECTIONS.

§3-8-4a. Termination of political committees.

(a) A political committee may terminate by filing a written request, in accordance with the provisions of section four of this article, and by stating in the request that it will no longer receive any contributions or make any disbursements and that it has no outstanding debts or obligations. At such time, any excess funds of the committee may be transferred to a political committee established by the same candidate pursuant to the provisions of §3-8-4 or §3-8-5e of this code.

(b) The provisions of this section may not be construed to eliminate or limit the authority of the Secretary of State, in consultation with the State Election Commission, to establish procedures for: (1) The determination of insolvency with respect to any political committee; (2) the orderly liquidation of an insolvent political committee and the orderly application of its assets for the reduction of outstanding debts; and (3) the termination of an insolvent political committee after such liquidation and application of assets.

The Clerk of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Delegates hereby certify that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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