

The Committee on the Judiciary moves to amend the title of the bill to read as follows:

Eng. Com. Sub. for S. B. 527 - - "A Bill to repeal §3-10-4a of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended; and to amend and reenact §3-10-1, §3-10-2, §3-10-3, §3-10-3a, §3-10-4, §3-10-5, §3-10-6, §3-10-7 and §3-10-8 of said code, and to amend said code by adding a new section, designated §3-10-9, all relating to filling vacancies of certain elected offices; defining terms; setting procedures for appointing persons to fill certain vacancies; requiring certain appointments within a certain period of time; listing time periods and certain offices where elections must be held to fill certain vacancies; setting special requirements for filling vacancies in certain offices; setting procedures for certain special elections; setting requirements for special filing periods, where necessary; requiring certain notice be given regarding elections to fill vacancies; providing for payment of costs if a new election is necessary; allowing nomination of certain persons without party affiliation; allowing emergency orders by the Secretary of State in certain circumstances; removing and repealing certain language relating to previous elections; clarifying method used to fill vacancies in the Office of Governor; permitting meeting of the Judicial Vacancy Advisory Commission upon certain formal announcements of retirement or resignation; adjusting method to fill vacancies in certain statewide,

legislative and judicial offices such that the timing for all are consistent; adjusting method to fill vacancies in United States Congress; requiring most elections to fill vacancies be held in conjunction with regularly scheduled elections; clarifying method used to fill vacancies in certain county offices; permitting vacancies in certain county offices to be filled by temporary replacements for no more than thirty days; and updating language regarding filling vacancies in certain elected offices.”