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Com. Sub. for  
HOUSE BILL No. 2510

(By ~~the~~ Del. Rigg & Menard)

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Passed April 8, 1989

In Effect from Passage

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

**H. B. 2510**

(By DELEGATES RIGGS AND MINARD)

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[Passed April 8, 1989; in effect from passage.]

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AN ACT to amend chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new article, designated article two-g, relating to federal "WIC" program; requiring banks in the state to accept WIC vouchers or coupons from vendors; requiring state health director to deposit WIC funds in state bank and providing for method of selection of bank, and providing an effective date.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new article, designated article two-g, to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 2G. SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTARY FOOD PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC).**

**§16-2G-1. Voucher or coupon redemption and payment.**

1 With respect to the vouchers or coupons authorized by  
2 the department of health in the administration of the  
3 special supplementary food program for women, infants  
4 and children, commonly known as the WIC program,

5 under the auspices and guidelines of the United States  
6 department of agriculture, such vouchers or coupons,  
7 when received by a vendor from a holder thereof in  
8 exchange for food, food stuffs, or authorized goods or  
9 services, may be deposited by the said vendor in any  
10 federally insured bank in this state for collection and  
11 payment thereof, and such bank shall accept the same  
12 as equivalent to a negotiable instrument from a holder  
13 in due course pursuant to chapter forty-six of this code,  
14 and shall collect the funds for such vouchers or coupons  
15 so received.

16 All moneys received from the United States depart-  
17 ment of agriculture under said program, except for  
18 moneys to be used for administration, shall be deposited  
19 by the state health director in a special account in a  
20 federally insured bank in this state. The director shall  
21 select the bank by competitive bidding in the same  
22 manner as the state treasurer selects depository banks  
23 for state funds, subject to applicable federal laws or  
24 regulations governing such selection.

25 The provisions of this section shall take effect on the  
26 first day of April, one thousand nine hundred ninety,  
27 except that the director shall commence procedures for  
28 the selection of the bank and for implementation of the  
29 other provisions of this section upon the passage hereof.

30 Nothing in this section shall make such vouchers or  
31 coupons negotiable instruments for any purpose other  
32 than expressly set forth herein or as permitted by  
33 applicable federal laws or regulations.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

*Frederick P. Burns*  
Chairman Senate Committee

*J. L. Satter*  
Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect from passage.

*Saul C. Willis*  
Clerk of the Senate

*Ronald L. Kopp*  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

*Sam R. Tucker*  
President of the Senate

*[Signature]*  
Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within *is approved* this the *27<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *April*, 1989.

*Gaston Caperton*  
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE

GOVERNOR

Date 4/20/89

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