# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §16-16-2

**§16-16-2. Declaration of purpose and necessity.**

It has been found and declared in the "Housing Authorities Law" (chapter ninety-three, acts of the Legislature, second extraordinary session, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three) that there exist in the state unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions and a shortage of safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations for persons of low income; that these conditions necessitate excessive and disproportionate expenditures of public funds for crime prevention and punishment, public health and safety, fire and accident protection, and other public services and facilities; and that the public interest requires the remedying of these conditions. It is hereby found and declared that the assistance herein provided for the remedying of the conditions set forth in the "Housing Authorities Law" constitutes a public use and purpose and an essential governmental function for which public moneys may be spent, and other aid given; that it is a proper public purpose for any state public body to aid any housing authority operating within its boundaries or jurisdiction or any housing project located therein, as the state public body derives immediate benefits and advantages from such an authority or project; and that the provisions hereinafter enacted are necessary in the public interest.

WV Legislature