

# **WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §16-5J-1**

## **§16-5J-1. Legislative findings.**

The Legislature finds that the diagnosis and treatment of human affliction is or may be largely determined by the results of laboratory testing and that inaccurate laboratory test results endanger the health and lives of the citizens of West Virginia. A due respect for the citizenry of the state requires that all such testing be done under the supervision of qualified and competent persons having sufficient expertise and experience to assure the quality and accuracy of clinical laboratory testing. Further, it is imperative that laboratories be regulated and licensed to ensure that the intent of this article be met.