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§16-67-2. Findings and purpose.

(a) The Legislature finds that chronic diet-/lifestyle-related diseases (including obesity, type 2 diabetes, hypertension) impose substantial health and fiscal burdens on the State.

(b) The Legislature finds that ensuring program integrity in state health and nutrition assistance programs, promoting nutritious food access, increasing consumer transparency, and encouraging physical fitness are essential to improving the health of West Virginians.

(c) The purpose of this article is to create, as an integral part of the Department of Health, an entity to coordinate the efforts of all agencies to prevent and remedy chronic diseases and to ensure that all citizens are being educated on this serious health risks that are affecting the state.

WV Legislature