WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §21a-2-6B

§21A-2-6b. Commissioner to be furnished information by State Tax Commissioner; secrecy of information; violation a misdemeanor.

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other statute in this code, specifically, but not exclusively, section five, article ten, chapter eleven of this code, the State Tax Commissioner shall deliver to the commissioner of the Bureau of Employment Programs the following information: The names, addresses and other identifying information of all business receiving a business franchise registration certificate.

(b) All information acquired by the Bureau of Employment Programs commissioner pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be used to implement and administer a single point of registration program as created in section seven, article twelve, chapter eleven of this code. The commissioner of the Bureau of Employment Programs, upon receiving the business franchise certificate information made available pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, shall contact all businesses receiving a business franchise registration certificate and provide all necessary forms to register the business under the provisions of article five of this chapter.

(c) Any officer or employee of this state who uses the aforementioned information in any manner other than the one stated herein or authorized elsewhere in this code or who divulges or makes known in any manner any of the aforementioned information shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned in the county jail for not more than one year, or both, together with cost of prosecution.

(d) Reasonable cost of compilation and production of any information made available pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be charged to the Bureau of Employment Programs.

(e) Information acquired by the Bureau of Employment Programs commissioner pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall not be subject to disclosure under the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-b of this code.