

# **WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §22-24-1**

## **§22-24-1. Legislative findings, intent and purpose.**

The Legislature hereby finds and declares that, in this state the protection and improvement of the environment, and the sustainability of small businesses, would be collectively enhanced by the establishment of a revolving low-interest small business environmental loan program, to provide partial relief from the burden small businesses face from compliance with existing and new state and federal environmental protection rules and regulations. The Legislature intends, in providing such a loan program for small businesses, that the program will further enable small businesses to aggressively comply with or exceed environmental obligations and requirements and thereby continue as a positive economic force in the State of West Virginia.