

## **WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §25-7-13**

**§25-7-13. Establishment of programs authorized by the federal Prison Industry Enhancement (PIE) Certification Program for employment of inmates by private persons; lease of land and improvements.**

(a) The Commissioner of the Division of Corrections may establish programs for the employment of inmates by a private person or entity for the manufacture of articles and products as part of a program authorized pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1761(c), the Prison Industry Enhancement (PIE) Certification Program. In establishing these programs, the commissioner may enter into agreements with private persons or entities to construct or lease facilities at a state adult correctional facility, or at another agreed location, for manufacturing and processing goods or for any other business, commercial or agricultural enterprise.

(b) In connection with an agreement made under subsection (a) of this section, the commissioner may lease land and improvements on the grounds of a state correctional facility for use by the private party to the agreement. Any such lease shall be for a term of not more than twenty years and may contain options for renewal.