

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §47-1A-10

## **§47-1A-10. Sterilization processes; permits; fees.**

NOTE: During the 2017 Regular Session of the Legislature, this section was amended by both House Bill 2948 and Senate Bill 419 and there has been no judicial ruling to determine which, if either, amendments prevail. Both versions are provided here.

As amended by House Bill 2948:

(a) Any sterilization process used in connection herewith shall be approved by the commissioner. Every person desiring to operate such sterilization process shall first obtain a numbered permit from the commissioner and shall not operate such process unless such permit is kept conspicuously posted in his or her establishment. Application for such permit shall be accompanied by the specifications for the sterilization process to be employed by the applicant, in such form as the commissioner shall require. The commissioner shall take final action upon all completed permit applications within thirty days of receipt if the application is uncontested, or within ninety days if the application is contested. Such permit shall expire one year from date of issue.

(b) The commissioner may revoke or suspend any permit for violation of the provisions of this article. Upon notification of such revocation or suspension, the person to whom the permit was issued, or his or her successor or assignee, shall forthwith return such permit to the commissioner.

As amended by Senate Bill 419:

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