

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §48-18-129

## **§48-18-129. Acceptance of federal purposes; compliance with federal requirements and standards.**

(a) The state assents to the purposes of the federal laws regarding child support and establishment of paternity and agrees to accept federal appropriations and other forms of assistance made under or pursuant thereto, and authorizes the receipt of such appropriations into the State Treasury and the receipt of other forms of assistance by the Bureau for Child Support enforcement for expenditure, disbursement and distribution by the bureau in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and the conditions imposed by applicable federal laws, rules and regulations.

(b) Insofar as such actions are consistent with the laws of this state granting authority to the bureau and the commissioner, the bureau shall comply with such requirements and standards as the secretary of the federal department of health and human services may have determined, as of the effective date of this section, to be necessary for the establishment of an effective program for locating obligors, establishing paternity, obtaining support orders and collecting support payments.

(c) The commissioner shall propose for promulgation a legislative rule in accordance with the provisions of chapter twenty-nine-a of this code, to establish time-keeping requirements to assure the maximum funding of incentive payments, grants and other funding sources available to the state for the processing of cases filed for the location of absent parents, the establishment of paternity, and the establishment, modification or enforcement of orders of child support.