

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §48-23-102

§48-23-102. Legislative purpose.

The purpose of this article is to:

- (1) Set up a mutual consent voluntary adoption registry where birth parents and adult adoptees may register their willingness to the release of identifying information to each other;
- (2) To provide for the disclosure of such identifying information to birth parents or adoptees, or both, through a social worker employed by a licensed adoption agency, provided each birth parent and the adult adoptee voluntarily registers on his or her own; and
- (3) To provide for the transmission of nonidentifying health and social and genetic history to the adult adoptees, birth parents and other specified persons; and
- (4) To provide for disclosure of identifying information for cause shown.