

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §5A-13-2

§5A-13-2. Definitions.

The words defined in this section have the meanings given them for purposes of this article unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

“Permit” means any permit, license, or approval that:

- (1) Is a prerequisite for performing any construction, economic development, infrastructure, or natural resource project in this state; and
- (2) Is issued, granted, modified, renewed, denied, or revoked by a permitting agency.

“Permitting agency” means any division, office, board, or other entity under the following departments or offices of this state that grants, issues, denies, or revokes a permit or business registration:

- (1) The Department of Commerce;
- (2) The Department of Environmental Protection;
- (3) The Office of Environmental Health Services;
- (4) The Department of Revenue, except the Lottery, Lottery Commission, and the Division of Financial Institutions shall be exempt;
- (5) The Department of Tourism;
- (6) The Department of Transportation, except the Division of Motor Vehicles shall be exempt; and
- (7) The Secretary of State.

“Secretary” means the Secretary of the Department of Administration.