

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §62-12-24

§62-12-24. Request to continue for good cause and timely notice required.

(a) Any inmate scheduled for a parole interview shall, if he or she desires to continue the interview, file with the institutional parole officer a written waiver of his or her right to an interview on the date set on a form provided by the commissioner of corrections at least thirty days prior to the interview date. A copy of the waiver shall be supplied to the board of parole.

(b) The board shall propose for promulgation a legislative rule pursuant to article three, chapter twenty-nine-a of this code setting forth criteria constituting emergency circumstances where a waiver of interview filed less than thirty days prior to the scheduled interview shall constitute good cause for a continuance.

(c) Any inmate failing to appear for his or her scheduled parole interview who has not waived his or her interview pursuant to subsection (a) or (b) of this section shall be deemed to have waived his or her right to a parole interview for a period of twelve months from the date of the interview at which he or she failed to appear. The panel conducting the interview shall have discretion to reset the interview with notice to the inmate and any other person or persons entitled by law to notice, prior to the expiration of the twelve-month waiver period.