## **WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §62-2-19**

§62-2-19. Prosecutions relating to license taxes, offenses against public policy, etc.

On any indictment or presentment founded on any provision of article twelve, chapter eleven, or article ten, chapter sixty-one of this code, or for any statutory misdemeanor for which no imprisonment may be inflicted, process may be issued immediately, returnable forthwith. If the accused appear and plead to the charge, the trial shall proceed without delay. If, being summoned, he fail to appear and plead, the court may render judgment in the same manner as if he had confessed to the charge in court; and if the offense be punishable by a fine not fixed by law, a jury shall be impaneled to assess the same.