WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
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SENATE BILL NO. ___
(By Mr. ______) Com. on the Judiciary

PASSED March 11th, 1961
In Effect from Passage

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Senate Bill No. 222
(Originating in the Committee on the Judiciary)

[Passed March 11, 1961; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend article four, chapter forty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section designated section nine, relating to the adoption of children and adults.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article four, chapter forty-eight of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section designated section nine, to read as follows:

Section 9. Contracts Limiting or Restraining Adoptions.

—Any contract, agreement or stipulation which endeavors to deny to any person or persons the right to petition
for adoption of any person, or which endeavors to alter the time or manner of adoption as provided in this article is contrary to the public policy of the state and such portion of any contract, agreement or stipulation is null and void and of no effect.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

[Signature]
Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

Takes effect [signature] from passage.

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Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

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President of the Senate

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Speaker House of Delegates

The within [signature] approved this the 13th day of [signature], 1961.

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Governor

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