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### **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

**REGULAR SESSION, 1983** 

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HOUSE BILL No. 1249

(By Mr. Steptoe + mr. Hageslorn)

Passed 9 1983 1983

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## H. B. 1249

(By Mr. STEPTOE and Mr. HAGEDORN)

[Passed March 5, 1983; in effect July 1, 1983.]

AN ACT to amend and recnact section twelve, article one, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to expenditures by the state department of health; authorizing advance payments to be made to public and nonprofit health service providers only after determination of necessity therefor and for period no greater than necessary.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twelve, article one, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1. STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

### §16-1-12. Expenditures of state department of health.

- 1 The state department of health shall have power to expend
- 2 annually, for the purpose of performing the duties imposed
- 3 on it, or authorized by law, such sum as may be appro-
- 4 priated by the Legislature for the department of health. The
- 5 director of health shall audit all bills, which shall be made
- 6 out in due form and verified by the members of the board
- 7 of health, directors of divisions, employees or agents render-
- 8 ing services or incurring traveling or other expenses in the
- 9 performance of the duties of their offices or employments.
- 10 Such bills, when approved by the auditor, shall be paid out of
- 11 the state treasury.
- The director of the department of health is authorized to
- make advance payments to public and nonprofit health services

- 14 providers when it has been determined by the director of
- 15 health to be necessary for the initiation or continuation of
- 16 health services. Such advance payments, being in derogation
- 17 of the principle of payment only after receipt of goods or ser-
- 18 vices, shall be authorized only after serious consideration by
- 19 the director of the necessity therefor and shall be for a period
- 20 no greater than ninety days in advance of rendition of
- 21 service or receipt of goods and continuation of health services.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee Chairman House Committee Originating in the House. Takes effect July 1, 1983. Clerk of the Senate President of the Senate Speaker House of Delegates this the The within ...... day of ..... ..., 1983. Governor

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