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# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1984



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HOUSE BILL No. 1271

(By Mr. Del. Faircloth + Del. Niedelusch)



Passed March 6, 1984

In Effect Ninety Days From Passage



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# H. B. 1271

(By DELEGATE FAIRCLOTH AND DELEGATE WIEDEBUSCH)

[Passed March 6, 1984; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section one, article two-b, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to continuing and reestablishing the meat inspection program of the department of agriculture.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

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

**ARTICLE 2B. INSPECTION OF ANIMALS, MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS.**

**§19-2B-1. Purpose and construction.**

1 Subject to the provisions of subsection (a), section  
2 seven hereof, the basic purpose of this article is to pro-  
3 vide for the inspection, labeling and disposition of animals,  
4 carcasses, meat, meat food products and meat by-products  
5 which are to be sold or offered for sale through commercial  
6 outlets for human consumption, the licensing of commercial  
7 slaughterers, custom slaughterers and processors, and the  
8 inspection of slaughterhouses and processing plants located  
9 in the state of West Virginia. This article, being intended to  
10 protect the health of the citizens of West Virginia, shall be  
11 liberally construed.

12 After having conducted a performance and fiscal audit

13 through its joint committee on government operations, pur-  
14 suant to section nine, article ten, chapter four of this code,  
15 the Legislature hereby finds and declares that the meat  
16 inspection program should be continued and reestablished.  
17 Accordingly, notwithstanding the provisions of section four,  
18 article ten, chapter four of this code, the meat inspection pro-  
19 gram shall continue to exist until the first day of July, one  
20 thousand nine hundred ninety.

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

*James L. Davis*  
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Chairman Senate Committee

*Arnold Beale*  
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Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

*Todd C. White*  
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Clerk of the Senate

*Donald L. Stopp*  
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Clerk of the House of Delegates

*Walter P. McBrat*  
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President of the Senate

*John M. Lee, Jr.*  
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Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 30  
day of March, 1984.

*John R. Rhyne*  
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Governor

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