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### COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

# H. B. 4660

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AN ACT to amend article one, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated section twenty-one, relating to authorizing the administrator of the division of health to charge for services rendered; creating a special revolving fund for moneys received; allowing the administrator to authorize county or municipal boards of health to charge for services; and directing the administrator to promulgating rules establishing the fees.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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

### ARTICLE 1. STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

#### §16-1-21. Fees for services; health services fund.

- 1 (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this
- 2 chapter, the administrator of the division of health may
- 3 assess and charge reasonable fees for the provision of
- 4 services provided by the division of health: Provided,

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5 That no individual may be denied health care services 6 because of the inability of the individual to pay for 7 services when services are provided to similarly situated 8 individuals who have the ability to pay for them. 9 Payments of fees shall be deposited into a special 10 revolving fund in the state treasury.

(b) Any balance including accrued interest in the
special revolving fund at the end of any fiscal year shall
not revert to the general revenue fund but shall remain
in the special revolving fund for use by the administrator of the division of health for funding health programs
in the ensuing fiscal years.

17 (c) The administrator of the division of health may 18 authorize reasonable fees for the provision of services by 19 county or municipal boards of health as created in 20article two or article two-a of this chapter: Provided, 21 That no individual may be denied health care services 22because of the inability of the individual to pay for 23services when services are provided to similarly situated 24individuals who have the ability to pay for them. 25Payments of fees shall be deposited into the local board 26of health account for use by the local board of health 27for funding health programs. The fees established will 28be created on a sliding fee basis determined by an 29individual's ability to pay: Provided, however, That the 30 board of health may submit a request through the 31administrator for third party reimbursement where 32 such request is appropriate: Provided further, That 33 boards of health which establish such fees shall annually 34 submit a schedule of fees, a sliding fee scale and an 35 accounting of amounts collected to the administrator of 36 the division of health for approval on an annual basis.

(d) The administrator of the division of health shall
promulgate rules in accordance with article three,
chapter twenty-nine-a of this code, setting forth the fees
established, assessed, charged, authorized, or approved
by the administrator.

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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, 1990. Clerk of the Senate

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