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(By Delegates Douglas, Collins,
Stalnaker, Tucker and Capito)



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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, continuing the meat inspection division 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 MEAT AND POULTRY.

§19-2B-1. Purpose and construction; continuation of meat and poultry inspection program.

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

12 After having conducted a preliminary performance
13 review through its joint committee on government
14 operations, pursuant to article ten, chapter four of this
15 code, the Legislature hereby finds and declares that the
16 meat inspection program should be continued and
17 reestablished. Accordingly, notwithstanding the provisions
18 of article ten, chapter four of this code, the meat and
19 poultry inspection program shall continue to exist until
20 the first day of July, two thousand four.

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

Randy Schwoerer
Chairman Senate Committee

Nick Fantasia
Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect ninety days from passage.

Russell B. White
Clerk of the Senate

Bugoy D. Pang
Clerk of the House of Delegates

Carl Ray Tomblin
President of the Senate

[Signature]
Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within *approved* this the *27th*
day of *February*, 1998.

[Signature]
Governor

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