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1 AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, by adding thereto a new section, designated  
2 §16-21-2, relating to establishing an awareness program; directing the Department of  
3 Health and Human Resources to create a website; providing contents of electronic  
4 brochure; providing contents of website; and providing for consultation with certain health  
5 care providers to promote awareness.

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

## **ARTICLE 21. BLOOD DONATIONS.**

### **§16-21-2. Demetry Walker bone marrow and peripheral blood stem donation awareness program.**

1 (a) The Bureau for Public Health shall prepare an online brochure for display on its  
2 website. The information shall be derived from the National Marrow Donor Program, which may  
3 be downloaded, and utilized by the commissioner for the purposes of §16-21-2(c), and shall be  
4 designed to inform patients of the option to become a bone marrow or peripheral blood stem cell  
5 donor by registering with the National Marrow Donor Program and to answer common questions  
6 about bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell donations.

7 (b) The brochure shall describe:

8 (1) The health benefits to the community from making a bone marrow or peripheral blood  
9 stem cell donation through the National Marrow Donor Program;

10 (2) How to register with the National Marrow Donor Program;

11 (3) The procedures for making a bone marrow or peripheral blood stem cell donation,  
12 including notice that there is no charge to the donor or the donor's family for making the donation;

13 (4) The circumstances and procedures by which a patient may receive a transfusion of the  
14 patient's previously donated blood; and

15 (5) Any other aspects of bone marrow or National Marrow Donor Program that the bureau  
16 deems appropriate.

17           (c) The bureau shall promote awareness among health care practitioners and the general  
18 public about the option to become a bone marrow or peripheral blood stem cell donor. In doing  
19 so, the bureau shall consult with the National Marrow Donor Program, and other organizations  
20 that are seeking to increase bone marrow and peripheral blood stem cell donation among various  
21 ethnic groups within the state in need of these donations.

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

  
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Chairman, Senate Committee

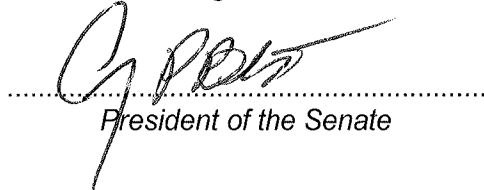
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The within is approved this the 28th  
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