

1 **Senate Bill No. 60**

2 (By Senators Williams and Sypolt)

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4 [Introduced January 14, 2015; referred to the Committee on Health and Human Resources; and
5 then to the Committee on Government Organization.]

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10 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
11 designated §16-6-25, relating to food handler examinations and cards; requiring accredited
12 food safety certification program; requiring food handler card within thirty days of being
13 hired; and establishing that cards are valid for three years and in all counties.

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

15 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new
16 section, designated §16-6-25, to read as follows:

17 **ARTICLE 6. HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS.**

18 **§16-6-25. Food handler examinations and cards.**

19 All food handlers are required to pass an examination from an accredited food safety
20 certification program, with at least one online accredited food safety certification program offered.

21 The bureau shall approve a list of accredited food safety certification programs. Once the
22 examination is passed, the food handler shall be issued a card that is valid for three years. A food

- 1 handler card is required within thirty days of being hired in a restaurant or other applicable food
- 2 establishment and is valid in every county of the state.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to establish food handler card requirements.

This section is new; therefore, strike-throughs and underscoring have been omitted.