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House Bill 4502

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[Introduced February 11, 2016; Referred
to the Committee on Small Business,
Entrepreneurship and Economic Development then
the Judiciary.]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
 2 designated §5-3-2b, relating to authorizing the Attorney General to engage in reciprocal
 3 agreements with states contiguous to this state and with the District of Columbia, intended
 4 to establish regulations, licensing requirements and taxes for small businesses
 5 headquartered in contiguous states or the District of Columbia, who conduct business in
 6 this state and defining the term “small business” for the purpose of the new section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931 as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new
 2 section, designated §5-3-2b, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 3. ATTORNEY GENERAL.

**§5-3-2b. Reciprocity agreements to establish regulations, licensing requirements and
 taxes for small businesses in contiguous states and the District of Columbia doing
 business in West Virginia.**

1 The Attorney General is authorized to engage appropriate state governmental agencies
 2 from states that shares contiguous borders with this state, including the District of Columbia, in
 3 order to secure reciprocal agreements to establish regulations, licensing requirements and
 4 taxation for small businesses headquartered in contiguous states or the District of Columbia that
 5 conduct business in this state. For the purposes of this section, the term “small business” has the
 6 same meaning as prescribed under section seven-a, article thirteen-c, chapter eleven of this code.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to authorize the Attorney General to engage in reciprocal agreements with states contiguous to this State and with the District of Columbia, intended to establish regulations, licensing requirements and taxes for small businesses who are headquartered in contiguous states or in the District of Columbia, and who conduct business in this state. The refers to §11-13C-7a for purposes of defining “small business.”

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.