# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

### **2020 REGULAR SESSION**

Introduced

## Senate Bill 798

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[Introduced February 17, 2020; referred

to the Committee on Finance]

- A BILL to amend and reenact §19-37-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
  to adding pasteurized milk and other dairy foods produced or processed in West Virginia
  to the list of items required to be purchased by all state-funded institutions, such as
- 4 schools, colleges, correctional facilities, governmental agencies, and state parks.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

### ARTICLE 37. WEST VIRGINIA FRESH FOOD ACT.

#### §19-37-2. State-funded institutions to purchase food from in-state sources; exception.

Beginning July 1, 2019, all state-funded institutions, such as schools, colleges, correctional facilities, governmental agencies, and state parks, shall purchase a minimum of five percent of its fresh produce, meat, and poultry products, <u>pasteurized milk and other dairy foods</u> <u>produced or processed in</u> West Virginia from in-state producers: *Provided*, That such produce, meat, and poultry products, <u>pasteurized milk and other dairy foods</u> can be grown or is available from in-state producers.

> NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to add pasteurized milk and other dairy foods produced or processed in West Virginia to the list of items required to be purchased by all statefunded institutions, such as schools, colleges, correctional facilities, governmental agencies, and state parks.

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