

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2020 REGULAR SESSION**

### **Committee Substitute**

**for**

### **Senate Bill 798**

SENATORS SYPOLT, CLINE, STOLLINGS, AND ROMANO,

*original sponsors*

[Originating in the Committee on Finance; reported on

February 21, 2020]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §19-37-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating  
2 to adding pasteurized milk and other dairy foods produced or processed in West Virginia  
3 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.**

1 Beginning July 1, 2019, all state-funded institutions, such as schools, colleges,  
2 correctional facilities, governmental agencies, and state parks, shall purchase a minimum of five  
3 percent of their fresh produce, meat, ~~and~~ poultry products, pasteurized milk, and other dairy foods  
4 produced or processed in West Virginia from in-state producers: *Provided*, That such produce,  
5 meat, ~~and~~ poultry products, pasteurized milk, and other dairy foods can be grown or are available  
6 from in-state producers. The Commissioner of Agriculture may include in the rules promulgated  
7 pursuant to this article additional products which shall be required to be purchased by all state-  
8 funded institutions from West Virginia in-state producers as set forth in this section.