

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2024 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

Senate Bill 724

By Senator Clements

[Introduced February 8, 2024; referred
to the Committee on Transportation and
Infrastructure]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §15A-4-15 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
 2 to allowing license plates, road signs, or markers to be obtained from alternative sources
 3 when the Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation is unable to produce an adequate
 4 supply.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 4. CORRECTIONS MANAGEMENT.

§15A-4-15. Manufacture of license plates, road signs or markers; securing signs and markers when federal government reimburses state for cost thereof.

1 For the purpose of obtaining license plates to be used upon motor vehicles licensed for
 2 operation in this state and road signs or markers of any description for state roads, the
 3 commissioner is hereby authorized and empowered on behalf of the state, to establish and
 4 operate a plant for the manufacture of the license plates and road signs or markers in his or her
 5 institution.

6 It ~~shall be~~ is unlawful for any state official or employee to manufacture or obtain the license
 7 plates, road signs, or markers otherwise than as herein specified: *Provided*, That the
 8 Commissioner of Highways ~~may originally secure road signs or markers from sources other than~~
 9 ~~that provided herein~~ and the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may secure license plates, road
 10 signs, or markers from alternative sources when necessary to maintain a reasonable supply when
 11 the division is unable to produce an adequate supply based on a shortage of resources, labor, or
 12 other circumstance beyond the control of the division.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prevent a lack of availability of license plates and other signs due to a temporary inability of the Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation to manufacture them.

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