

1 **Senate Bill No. 193**

2 (By Senators Stollings, Jenkins, Kirkendoll, Laird, Miller,
3 Palumbo, Plymale, Prezioso, Tucker, Yost, Boley, M. Hall and
4 Nohe)

**Interim
Bill**

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6 [Introduced February 18, 2013; referred to the Committee on
7 Health and Human Resources; and then to the Committee on the
8 Judiciary.]
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11 A BILL to repeal §27-16-1, §27-16-2, §27-16-3, §27-16-4 and §27-16-
12 5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to
13 sterilization of mental defectives.

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

15 **ARTICLE 16. STERILIZATION OF MENTAL DEFECTIVES.**

16 **§1. Repeal of article relating to sterilization of mental**
17 **defectives.**

18 §27-16-1, §27-16-2, §27-16-3, §27-16-4 and §27-16-5 of the
19 Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, are hereby repealed.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to repeal the article of
the West Virginia Code that permits the sterilization of persons
deemed to be mentally incompetent.

This bill has been recommended for passage during the 2013

Regular Session by the Joint Committee on Health.