WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2017 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

Senate Bill 668

BY SENATOR MILLER (BY REQUEST)

[Introduced March 18, 2017; Referred

to the Committee on the Judiciary]

- 1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
- 2 designated §61-5-30, relating to defining the crime of filing a fraudulent claim against a
- 3 doctor; and setting criminal penalties.

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 §61-5-30, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 5. CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC JUSTICE.

§61-5-30. Fraudulent claims against a physician.

- 1 If any person knowingly files a fraudulent claim or demand against a physician or surgeon,
- 2 that person shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be confined in in a state
- 3 correctional facility not less than one nor more than five years or fined not more than \$5,000 or
- 4 both fined and imprisoned.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to define the crime of filing a fraudulent claim against a doctor.

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