WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

House Bill 2496

By Delegates Pinson and Steele

[Introduced January 11, 2023; Referred to the

Committee on Health and Human Resources]

- 1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article,
- 2 designated §16-2Q-1, relating to abortion, requiring all abortions to be performed by a
- 3 physician board-certified eligible in obstetrics and gynecology.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2Q. ABORTION TO BE PERFORMED BY BOARD CERTIFIED PHYSICIAN.

§16-2Q-1. Abortion to be performed by board certified physician.

- 1 (a) Any abortion performed in the State of West Virginia shall be performed by a physician
- 2 <u>board-certified eligible in obstetrics and gynecology.</u>
- 3 (b) Nothing in this article shall be construed to create a right to abortion.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require all abortions to be performed by a physician board-certified eligible in obstetrics and gynecology.

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