

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2025 REGULAR SESSION**

### **Introduced**

## **House Bill 2376**

By Delegates Burkhammer, Mazzocchi, Kimble, and

Pinson

[Introduced February 14, 2025; referred  
to the Committee on Health and Human Resources]

- 1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section,  
2 designated §49-2-127b, relating to immunizations; prohibiting the requirement of certain  
3 immunizations as condition of being a foster parent.

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

## **ARTICLE 2. STATE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CHILDREN.**

### **§49-2-127b. Immunizations not condition of overseeing child in foster care.**

- 1 Notwithstanding any provision of this code to the contrary, if a foster parent objects to  
2 immunization of their children on the basis of religious or moral convictions, then the Department  
3 of Human Services shall not require the children of the foster parent to undergo any immunization  
4 as a condition of the foster parent overseeing a child in foster care.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit the requirement that the children of foster parents must be immunized.

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