

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2025 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **House Bill 3444**

By Delegate Worrell

[Introduced March 17, 2025; referred to the  
Committee on Health and Human Resources]

- 1 A BILL to repeal §16-3-7, §16-3-8, §16-3-9, and §16-3-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as  
2 amended, relating to inflammation of the eyes of newborns.

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

**ARTICLE 7. PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE AND OTHER  
INFECTIOUS DISEASES.**

**§16-3-7. Inflammation of the eyes of the newborn.**

- 1 [Repealed.]

**§16-3-8. Inflammation of the eyes of the newborn -- Duty of those assisting at childbirth to  
report cases; treatment.**

- 2 [Repealed.]

**§16-3-9. Inflammation of the eyes of the newborn -- Duties of local health officer.**

- 3 [Repealed.]

**§16-3-10. Inflammation of eyes of newborn -- Use of an appropriate medication as  
prophylactic.**

- 4 [Repealed.]

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to repeal the sections of code relating to the inflammation  
of the eyes of newborns.

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