

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2025 REGULAR SESSION**

**Enrolled**

### **Senate Bill 537**

BY SENATORS HELTON, FULLER, RUCKER, ROBERTS,

WILLIS, DEEDS, AND ROSE

[Passed April 9, 2025; in effect 90 days from passage

(July 8, 2025)]



1 AN ACT to amend and reenact §16-66-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating  
2 to pregnancy help organizations; and providing approved pregnancy help organizations  
3 flexibility to receive funding for various costs.

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

**ARTICLE 66. SUPPORT FOR MOTHERS AND BABIES ACT.**

**§16-66-2. Establishing the West Virginia Mothers and Babies Pregnancy Support Program.**

1 (a) The West Virginia Mothers and Babies Pregnancy Support Program under the Bureau  
2 for Public Health is continued.

3 (b) A pregnancy help organization is eligible to receive funding from the program, subject  
4 to meeting the standards defined by the managing agency.

5 (c) An abortion industry organization may not receive funding from the program.

6 (d) (1) The program's funds may be distributed to pregnancy help organizations eligible  
7 under this article for the following reasons:

8 (A) Capital expenditures;

9 (B) Expenditures associated with adding additional services;

10 (C) Expenditures associated with meeting the requirements established by relevant  
11 licensing, accreditation, or standards setting organizations; and

12 (D) Training expenditures for pregnancy help organization staff and volunteers.

13 (2) Except as provided in subdivision (1) of this subsection, funds distributed under the  
14 program shall be distributed on a fee per service arrangement with a fee per service and hour  
15 arrangement as set by the management agency.



The Clerk of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Delegates hereby certify that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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*Clerk of the Senate*

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*Clerk of the House of Delegates*

Originated in the Senate.

In effect 90 days from passage.

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*President of the Senate*

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*Speaker of the House of Delegates*

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Day of ....., 2025.

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*Governor*