

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2026 REGULAR SESSION

Introduced

House Bill 4270

By Delegate D. Smith

[Introduced January 14, 2026; referred to the
Committee on Government Organization then the
Judiciary]

- 1 A BILL to amend and reenact §64-9-1 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to
2 authorizing the Department of Agriculture to promulgate a legislative rule relating to select
3 plant-based derivatives and select plant-based derivative products of hemp and kratom.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

**ARTICLE 9. AUTHORIZATION FOR MISCELLANEOUS BOARDS AND AGENCIES TO
PROMULGATE LEGISLATIVE RULES.**

§64-9-1. Department of Agriculture.

- 1 The legislative rule filed in the State Register on July 25, 2025, authorized under the
2 authority of §19-12E-7 of this code, modified by the Department of Agriculture to meet the
3 objections of the Legislative Rule-Making Review Committee and refiled in the State Register on
4 December 4, 2025, relating to the Department of Agriculture (select plant-based derivatives and
5 select plant-based derivative products of hemp and kratom, [61 CSR 30](#)), is authorized.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to authorize the Department of Agriculture to promulgate a legislative rule relating to select plant-based derivatives and select plant-based derivative products of hemp and kratom.

This section is new; therefore, strike-throughs and underscoring have been omitted.